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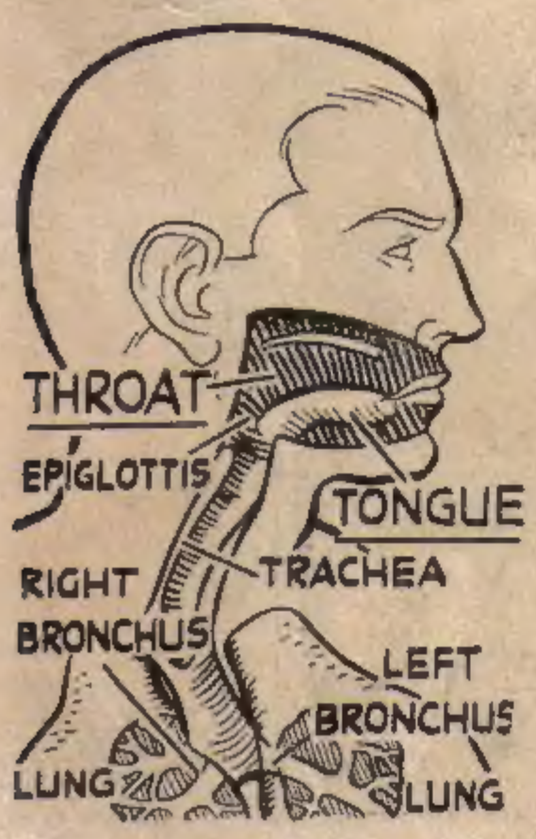

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CUSTOM FOR A KILLER

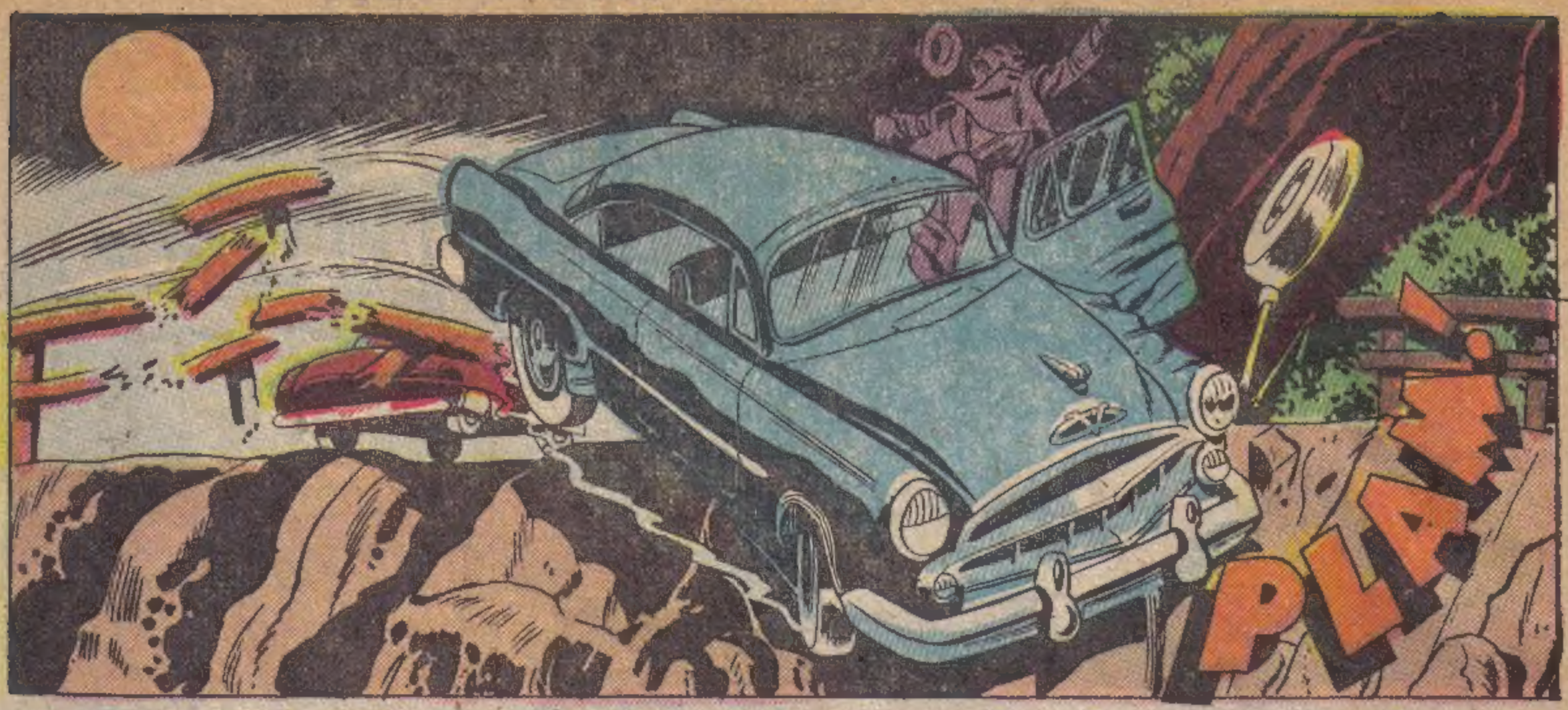
NEIL WAYNE'S LOVE OF CARS COVERED EVERYTHING FROM PERFORMANCE TO BEAUTY..AND HE HAD BOTH IN HIS SOUPED, FIBERGLASS ONE-OF-ITS-KIND CREATION. BUT FOR ALL THE GOOD THAT WENT INTO THIS CAR, IT BECAME A...

DICK JORDANO

BETTER SLOW DOWN FOR THIS TURN, CAL... IT'S A SHARD ONE.

I'M DOING THE DRIVING, NEIL. WE'VE STILL GOT THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ROAD IF WE NEED MORE ROOM!

CAL! LOOK OUT!


PLAT

CAL! STOP! LET'S GO BACK...
YEAH! AND FACE A MURDER RAP! YOU MUST BE CRAZY!

I'LL DROP YOU OFF FIRST, ROCKY. THEN I AN' MY LITTLE BROTHER'LL GO HOME.

...AN' REMEMBER, ROCKY, IN CASE THERE WERE ANY WITNESSES, YOU AN' I WERE IN THE MOVIES TONIGHT! THIS IS MY STEP-BROTHER'S CAR!
WHA...

I'M THE ONLY GUY IN TOWN WITH A CUSTOMIZED MERC. I'M GOING TO THE POLICE TOMORROW MORN...
BETTER FORGET THE WHOLE THING, KID. THE POLICE REPORT HAS ALREADY GONE IN. IF ANYONE SAW THE ACCIDENT THE COPS WOULD HAVE BEEN HERE BY NOW!

NEXT MORNING...
LISTEN TO THIS, MA. GORDON BANKS, PROMINENT ATTORNEY, WAS KILLED WHEN HIS AUTO PLUNGED OFF SNAKE HILL LAST NIGHT.. HE'S THE GUY THAT GOT ME OFF THE HOOK ON THAT BUM ROBBERY CHARGE. REMEMBER?

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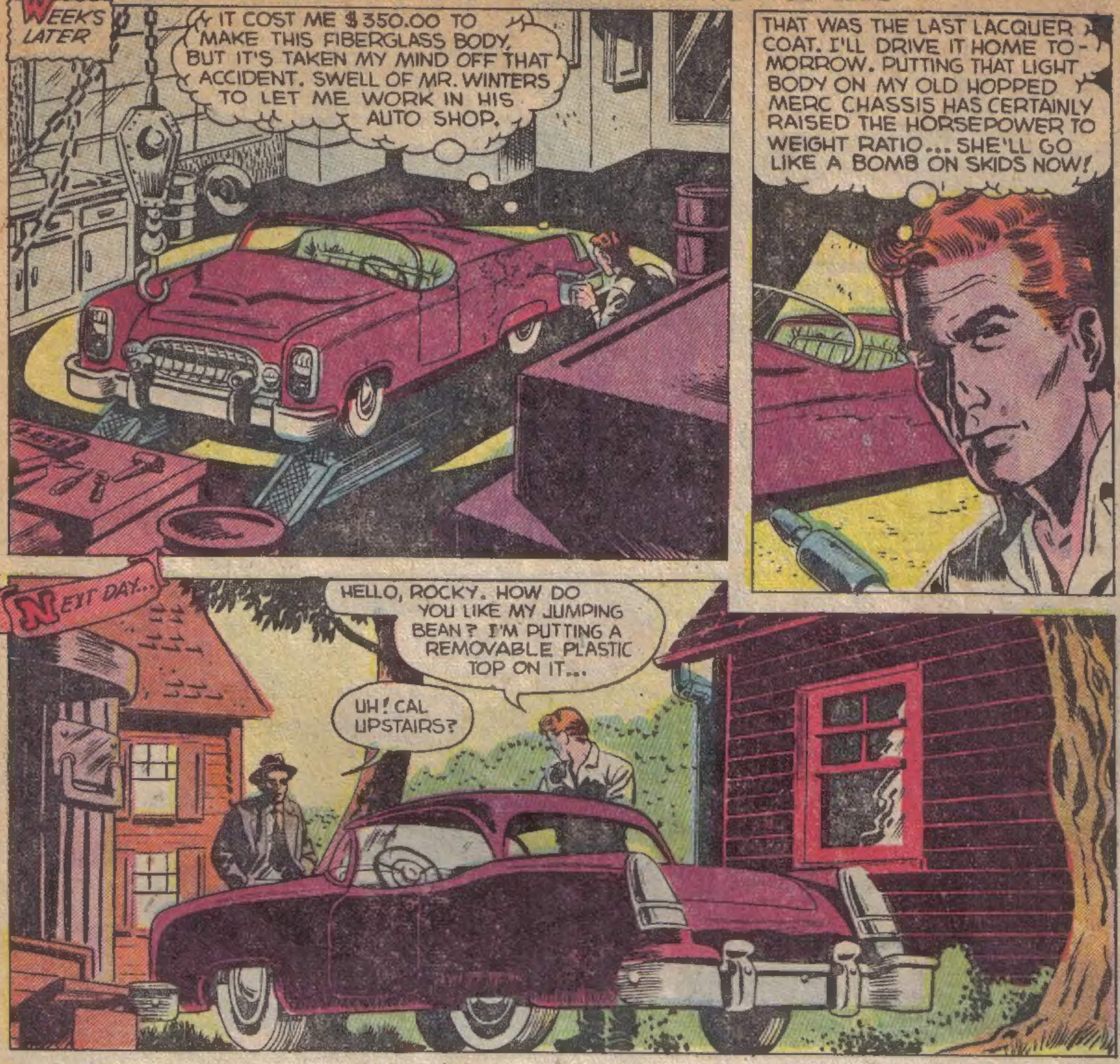
WEEKS LATER
IT COST ME $350.00 TO MAKE THIS FIBERGLASS BODY, BUT IT'S TAKEN MY MIND OFF THAT ACCIDENT. SWELL OF MR. WINTERS TO LET ME WORK IN HIS AUTO SHOP.
THAT WAS THE LAST LACQUER COAT. I'LL DRIVE IT HOME TOMORROW. PUTTING THAT LIGHT BODY ON MY OLD HOPPED MERC CHASSIS HAS CERTAINLY RAISED THE HORSEPOWER TO WEIGHT RATIO... SHE'LL GO LIKE A BOMB ON SKIDS NOW!
NEXT DAY...
HELLO, ROCKY. HOW DO YOU LIKE MY JUMPING BEAN? I'M PUTTING A REMOVABLE PLASTIC TOP ON IT...
UH! CAL UPSTAIRS?

I'VE WORKED IT ALL OUT, ROCKY. IT'S A CINCH! FIRST WE'LL HIT THE VALLEY LOUNGE IN TOWN AND IN EXACTLY 3 MINUTES WE'LL BE AT THE HILLTOP INN. OUR TAKE WILL BE OVER 35 GRAND! AN' WE'LL BE IN THE NEXT STATE BEFORE THE COPS ARE EVEN WISE!

YEAH, CAL... BUT WHAT ABOUT YOUR STEP-BROTHER, NEIL? WE'LL NEVER DO IT WITHOUT A FAST CAR! WILL HE PLAY ALONG?
HE SURE WILL, ROCKY.. HE SURE WILL!

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NEIL, I WOULDN'T BE DOIN' SOMETHIN' LIKE THIS EXCEPT YOU'RE MY KID BROTHER AN' I LIKE YOU.

GET TO THE POINT, CAL. YOU WANT TO BORROW MY CAR AGAIN? WELL, IT'S NO SOAP...NOT TO GO RUNNING PEOPLE OFF THE ROAD!

LOOK, KID! WE'RE PLANNIN' ON USIN' THAT FAST JOB OF YOURS... AN' ***YOU'RE*** GOIN' TO DO THE DRIVIN'... ***KILLER!***

YOU WOULDN'T WANT THE COPS TO GET WIND OF THAT ..AH.. ***ACCIDENT..*** THAT HAPPENED ON SNAKE HILL THE NIGHT YOU WERE DRIVIN' UP THERE?

O.K...OK... WHO DO YOU WANT TO RACE...

HAW! HAW! THAT'S RICH!

THE POLICE, NEIL! THE ***POLICE!***

WHAT?

C'MON, ROCKY... NEIL'S GOIN' TO GIVE US A PRACTICE RUN RIGHT NOW! LET'S GO, KID! I'LL GIVE YOU THE WHOLE SET-UP ON THE ROAD.

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HILL TOP TAVERN

GOOD GOIN', NEIL. 3 MINUTES ON THE NOSE! TOMORROW NIGHT IT'LL BE FOR REAL. HEAD FOR HOME.

LATER... CAL..I'M QUITTING RIGHT NOW! I'M NOT TAKING PART IN ANY ROBBERY! I'M GOING TO THE POLICE AND I'M TELLING THEM EVERYTHING!

NO YOU'RE NOT, SQUEALER!

WE'RE USIN' YOUR CAR..AN' YOU!

REMEMBER.. YOU'VE GOT A MURDER RAP OVER YOUR HEAD. MAKIN' EASY MONEY IS A LOT BETTER THAN THE HOT SEAT!

THE FOLLOWING NIGHT...

I CAN KNOCK THIS PLACE OFF BY MYSELF. ROCKY, HOLD YOUR ROD IN NEIL'S RIBS SO'S HE'LL BE IN THIS AS DEEP AS US. MAKE SURE HE KEEPS THE MOTOR RUNNIN'.

PEOPLE WILL RECOGNIZE THIS CAR WHEN CAL COMES RUNNIN' OUT... THAT MEANS YOU'LL HAVE A KILLIN' AN' A ROBBERY TO YOUR CREDIT!

THIS WILL SLOW YOU, SUCKER!

ON SCHEDULE! WE'LL *BOTH* HAVE TO GO IN ON THE 'HILLTOP' JOB, ROCKY, BUT THERE'S ENOUGH ON LITTLE BROTHER NOW TO KEEP HIM FROM TAKIN' A POWDER WHILE WE'RE INSIDE.

THERE THEY GO... AND NO WAY FOR ME TO GET OUT.. PROVING I WASN'T WITH THEM *WOULD* BE HARD!

HILL TOP

JUST THE SAME, I'M GOING TO THE POLICE RIGHT N...

REMEMBER, DEAR, DON'T DRINK SO MUCH THAT YOU'LL FALL ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL AND FLY OFF THE MOUNTAINSIDE LIKE THAT LAWYER!

HUH?

YOU MEAN THAT DRUNKARD, GORDON BANKS? I KNEW THAT WOULD HAPPEN SOONER OR LATER!

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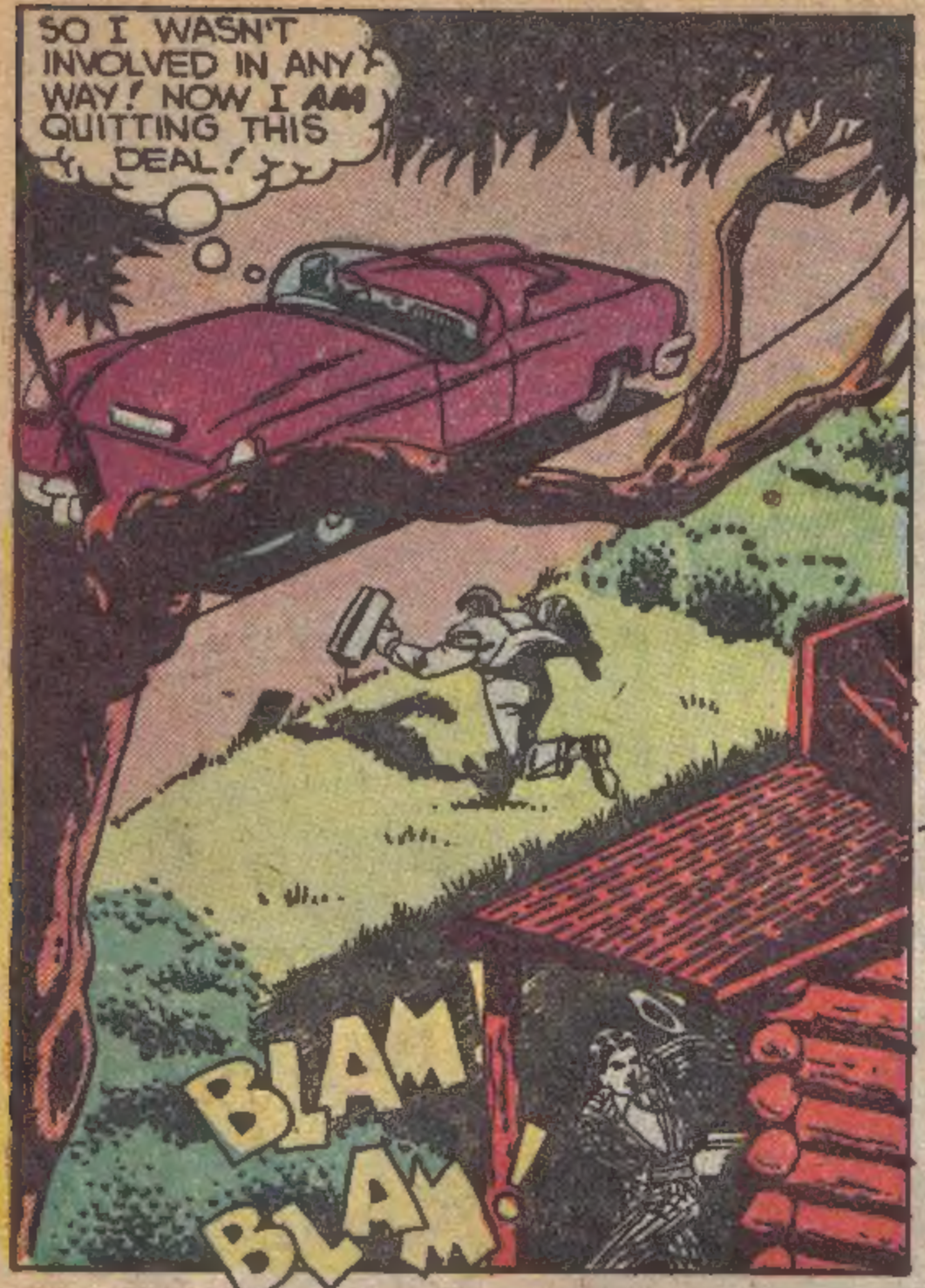

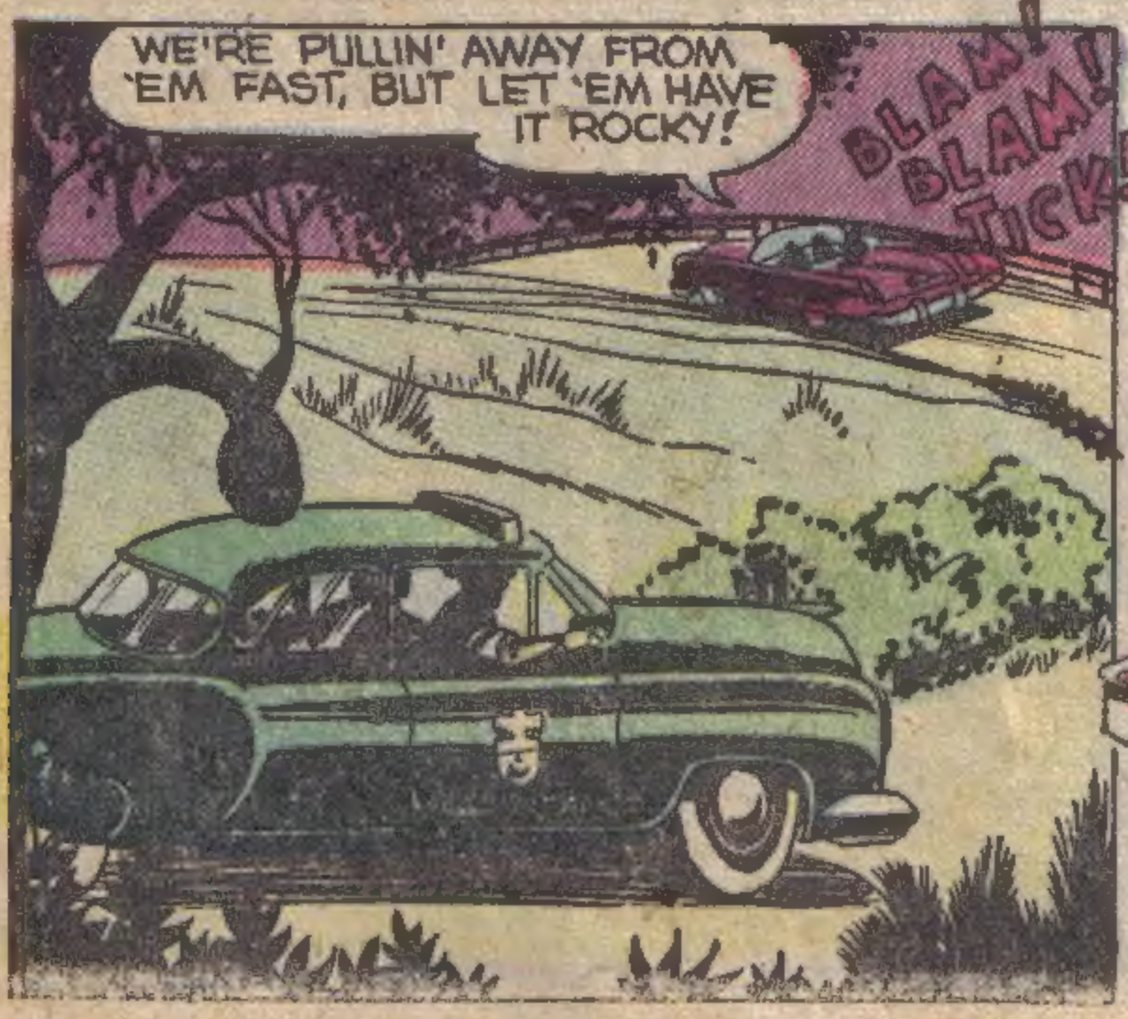

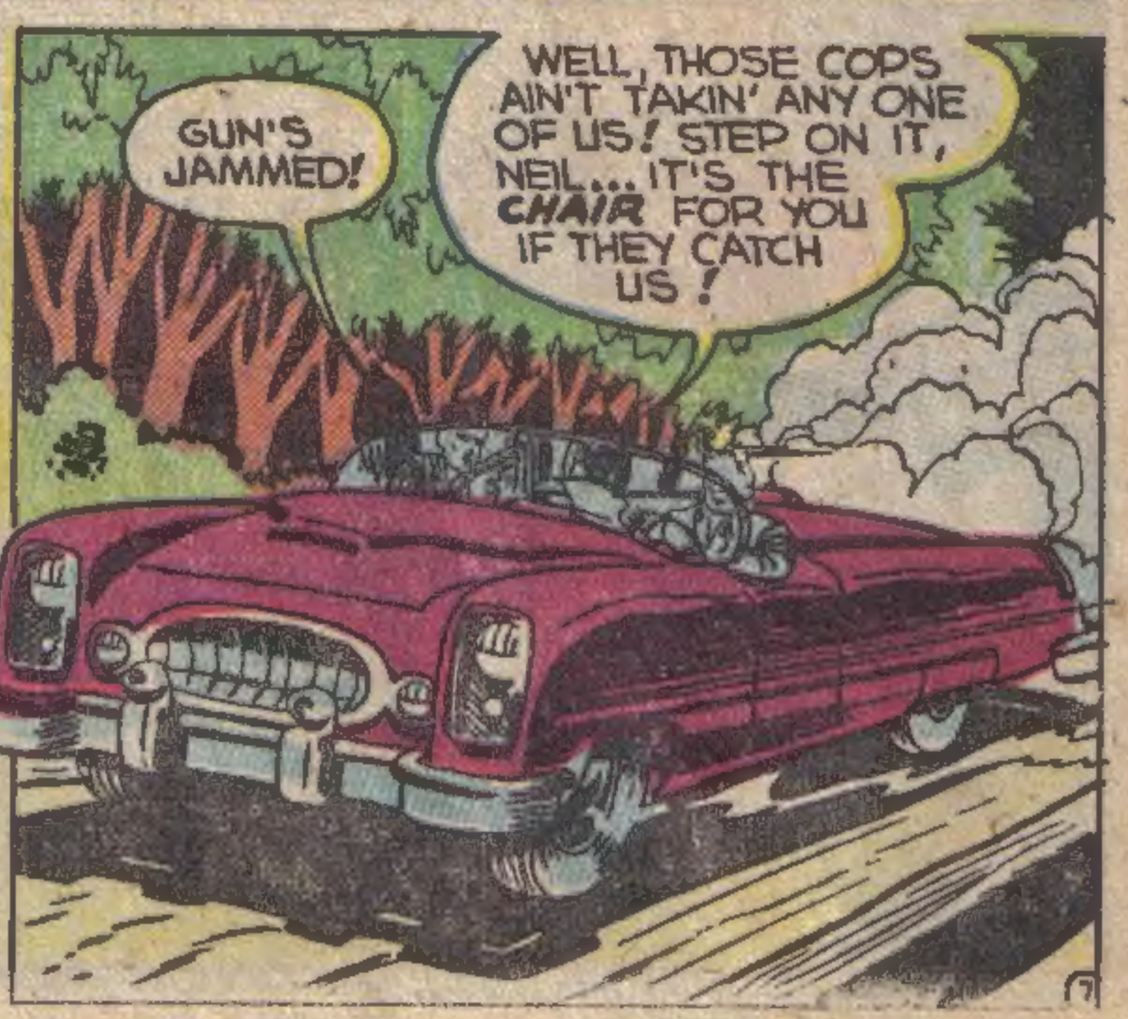

OH YEAH? I DIDN'T READ THE PAPERS WHEN THAT LAWYER FLEW OFF SNAKE HILL. BUT YOU KNEW THE WHOLE STORY ALL THE TIME, DIDN'T YOU? WELL, BUSTER, THIS IS THE END OF YOUR ROPE...

WHY YOU...

THE CAR...

POW!

PUNK!

CAL! THAT BRIDGE!

WHAM!

YOU ALL RIGHT, NEIL? NOT MUCH LEFT OF CAL AND ROCKY... WITNESSES AT THE VALLEY LOUNGE SAID THEY SAW YOU BEING FORCED INTO THIS, SO YOU'RE CLEAR! LUCKY YOU WERE SOCKED INTO THIS POND!

YEAH, LUCKY... BUT LOOK AT WHAT USED TO BE MY CAR!

THE END

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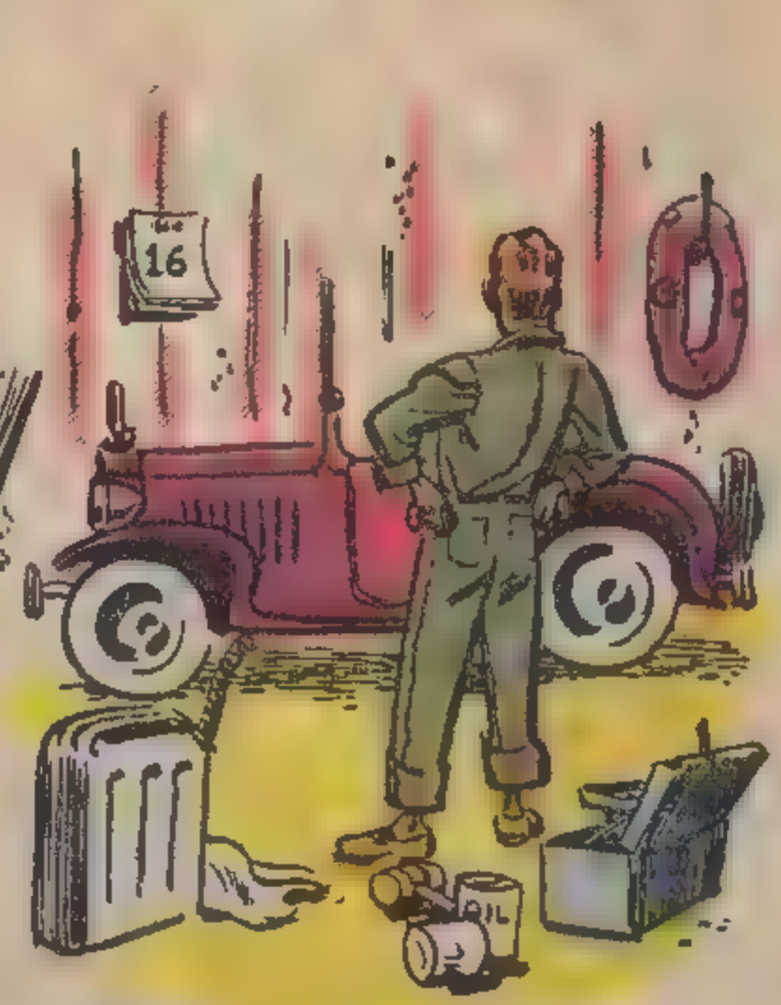
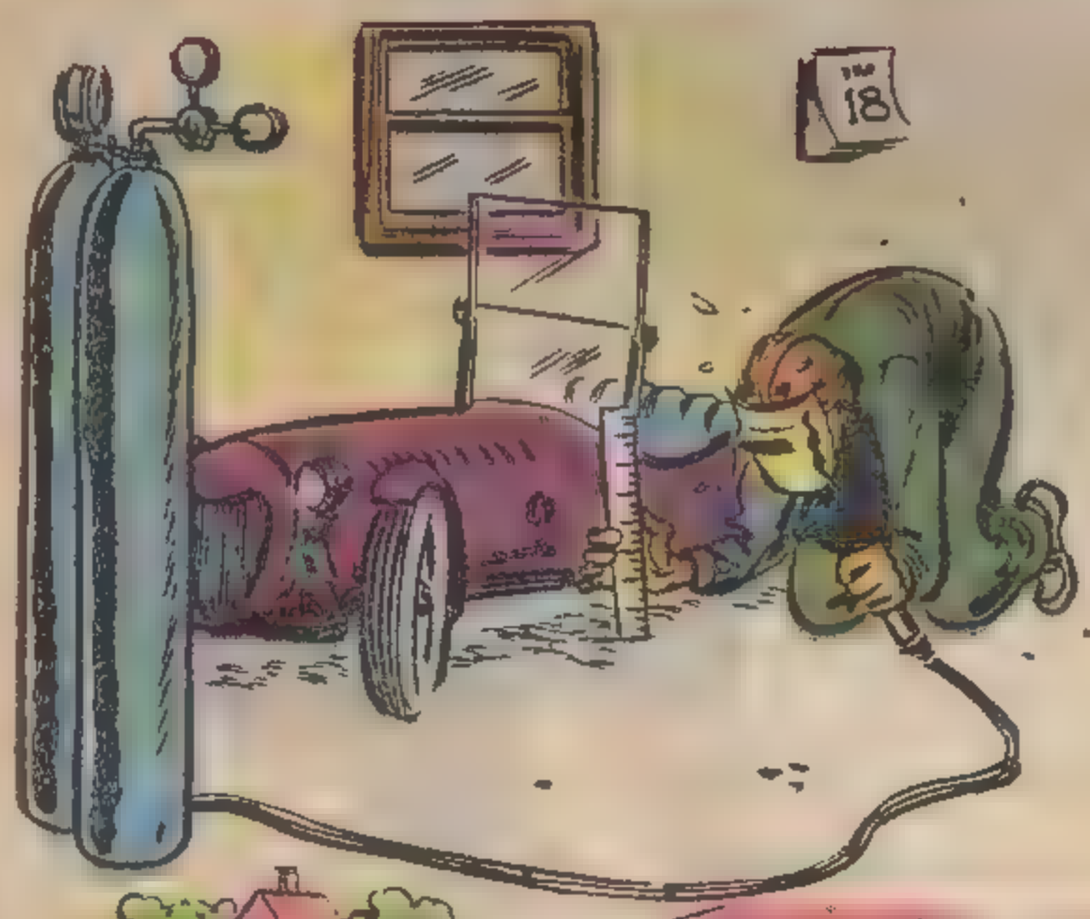
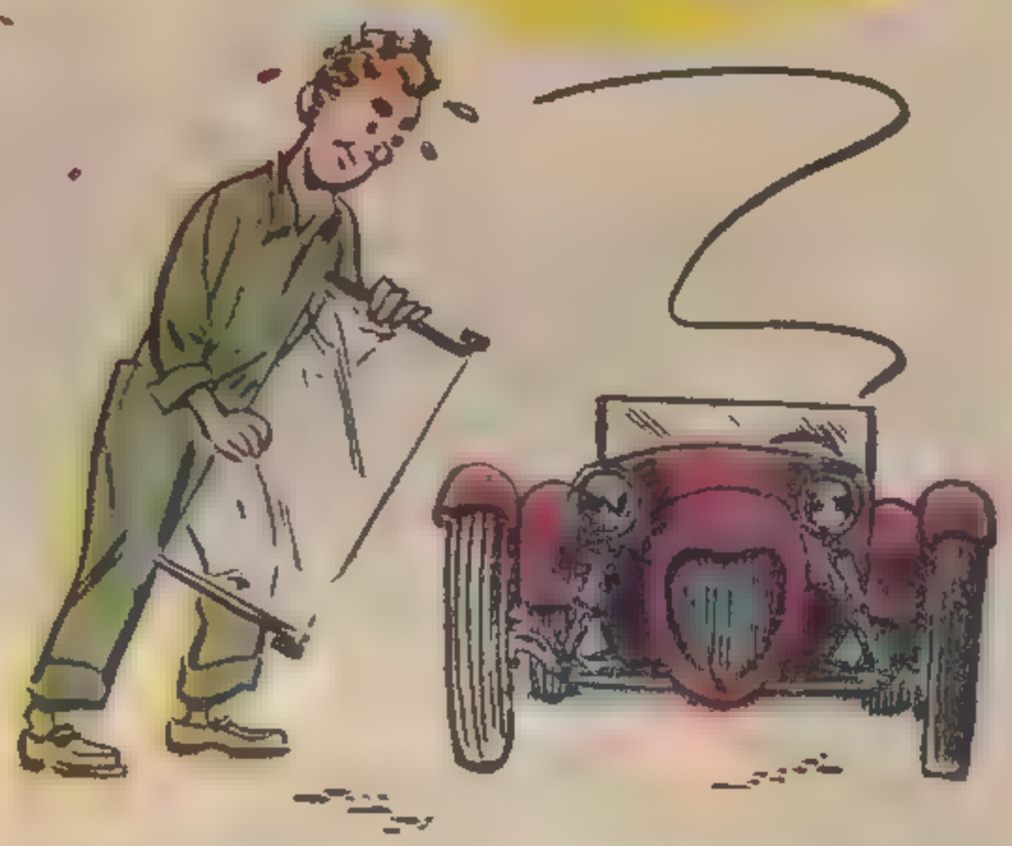
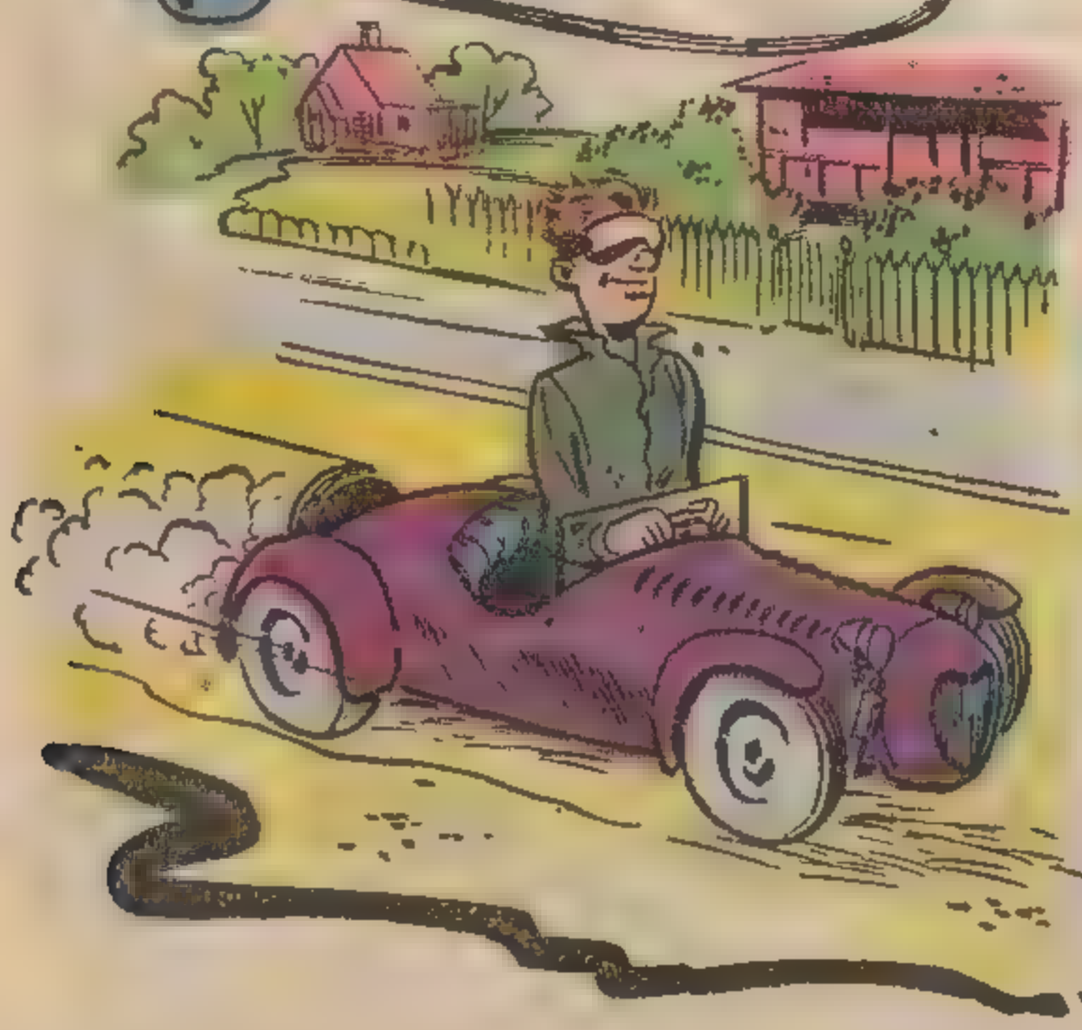
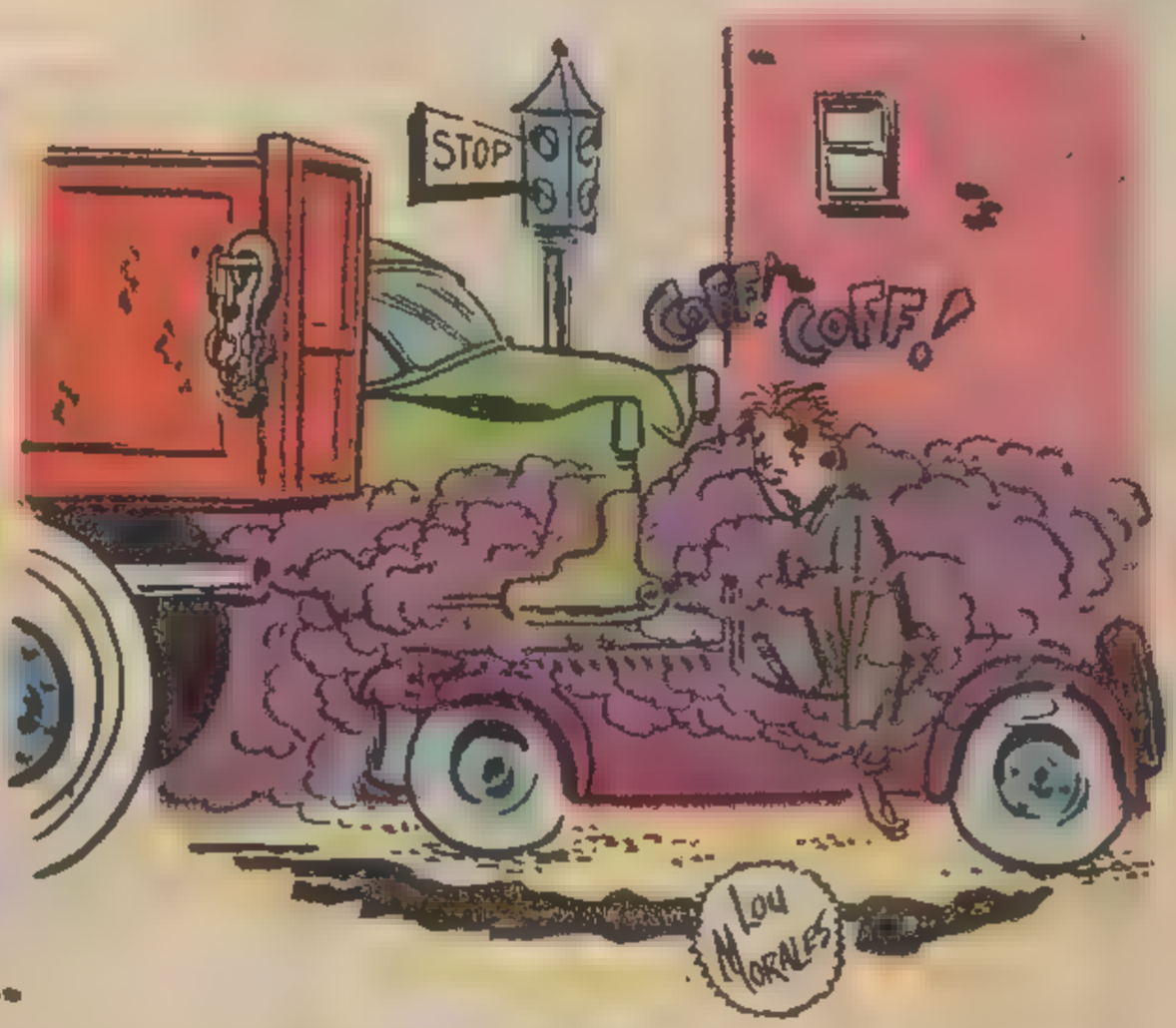
'DUAL' POTTS











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BILLIE DAWN CRASHED THE MILLIONAIRE'S GAME JUST SO THAT SHE COULD PROVE INGENUITY AND SPIRIT COULD WHIP THE SLACKS OFF THE HIGH-NOSED BABES WITH THE DIAMOND PRICED JOBS FROM EUROPE... AND WITH WHAT SHE CALLED A...

SPORTS-ROD

WILL YOU PLEASE GET THAT.. THAT JUNK HEAP OUT OF THE WAY SO THAT I CAN GET IN THERE.

JUNK HEAP! WHY YOU...

EASY, BILLIE! THAT'S MOIRA HERRON, THE BOSS' WIFE!

HERRON

HERRON TRUCKIN

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HERRON Nº 241

LOU MORALES

ALL RIGHT. I'LL MOVE... BUT I'LL BET THAT MY 'HEAP' COULD TAKE THAT $15,000 FUMBLING FERRARI **ANY** DAY!

EASY, KID. THAT'S A COMPETITION JOB!

INSULT MY PRIDE AND JOY, WILL SHE? I'D LIKE TO SHOW HER!

IF YOU HAD A SPORTS CAR MAYBE YOU COULD. THEY'RE HOLDING THE STERLING CUP ROAD RACE THE END OF NEXT MONTH.

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THAT'S RIGHT! HM... SIX WEEKS. MORTY... YOU WORK IN THE HERRON TRUCKING COMPANY'S BODY SHOP! I'M GOING TO HANDLE THE HOT CAM AND CUBIC INCH DEPARTMENT.. BUT ***YOU'RE*** GOING TO JACK UP MY HORSEPOWER TO WEIGHT RATIO!

NO, BILLIE! YOU'RE NOT GOING TO ENTER THAT ***RACE!*** YOU NEED THOUSANDS... ROAD RACING IS STRICTLY FOR PLAYBOYS AND SUGAR DADDY DOLLS.

A WEEK LATER...

CHUCK WINTON GOT US THE ALUMINUM FOR THE BODY PARTS THROUGH THE COMPANY, BUT THAT CHRYSLER MILL IS GOING TO NEED PLENTY OF LETTUCE BACKING!

IT WON'T TAKE ***THAT*** MUCH MORE MONEY TO SOUP IT TO 250 HORSES. I'VE GOT NUMBER ONE SPOT FOR MY CLASS AT THE SATURDAY DRAGS.. AND BY GOLLY, I'LL ALSO HAVE IT AT THE ROAD RACE!

FOUR WEEKS LATER...

SHE'S FINALLY TAKING SHAPE. AIR SCOOPS ON THE BRAKE BACKING PLATES, BEEFED-UP SHOCKS, AND FINGER-TOUCH STEERING. MORTY, I'M ***POSITIVE*** WE'LL WIN!

I'LL SHAPE THE HOOD AND PUT ON THE CYCLE FENDERS AND HEADLIGHTS BY THE END OF THE WEEK.

FINALLY, THE DAY BEFORE THE STERLING CUP RACE...

ALL SET AND READY FOR HER SHAKEDOWN CRUISE, BILLIE.

CLEAR THE DECKS, MORTY-BOY... AND HOP IN! WE'RE GOING TO NAVIGATE THE BACK ROADS!

WHOEE! ***EASY,*** DOLL FACE!

HANDLES LIKE A DREAM, MORTY.

GET READY, YOU RICH WITCHES, 'CAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO SWALLOW OUR DIRT TOMORROW... COMPLIMENTS OF A GLORIFIED HOT ROD!

...AND THAT NIGHT WAS FILLED WITH SWEET DREAMS...

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THEN, THE DAY OF THE BIG RACE!

NOW LOOK, HONEY. PLEASE BE CAREFUL. IT'S BETTER TO LOSE THAN WIND UP IN A PINE BOX!

NEVER MIND THE PATERNAL ADVICE, LOVER. JUST WATCH MY EXHAUST!

WHY... AREN'T YOU THE ONE THAT OWNS THAT RUSTY OLD...

THAT'S RIGHT, BRIGHT EYES! AND *THIS* IS IT!

OH MY! YOU MEAN THAT ***YOU'RE*** GOING TO DRIVE ***THAT THING...*** AGAINST OUR ***SUPERIOR*** CARS AND EXPERIENCE? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH, CHILD!

LAUGH? YOU'D BETTER MAKE LIKE THE LITTLE WHITE CLOUD, KIDDO, BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO SEE ***ME*** TAKE THAT CUP!

BILLIE'S SPORT-ROD WAS NUMBER 4 IN THE LINE-UP, WITH MOIRA'S FERRARI IN NUMBER 2 POSITION. THE GREEN FLAG FLASHED DOWN AND THE CARS ROARED FORWARD IN A CLOUD OF DUST...

THIS FIRST TURN IS A CORKER! I'LL EASE IN AND BLAST OUT ON THE TURN. I SEE MOIRA HAS NUMBER ONE SPOT ALREADY!

FOURTEEN MILES DOWN, BILLIE ACQUIRED THIRD PLACE WHEN THE XK 120 C AHEAD OF HER SPUN INTO THE HAY BALES ON A CURVE...

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MY TACH FIGURES SHOWED I WAS DOING 168 ON THAT STRAIGHTAWAY. IF I KEEP THE STEAM UP, I'LL TAKE SECOND PLACE FROM THAT ASTON MARTIN BEFORE THE NEXT TURN.

AT THE 83 MILE MARK OF THE 200 MILE RACE, BILLIE WAS RIGHT BEHIND MOIRA'S TAIL LIGHTS...

CLEAR THE ROAD, FANCY PANTS! I AIM TO GET THROUGH!

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THAT STUPID SO AND SO IS GAINING ON ME. I'LL DOWN-SHIFT JUST OUT OF THIS NEXT TURN AND SLOW DOWN SO SHE'LL HAVE TO BRAKE HARD *IN* THE TURN... THAT SHOULD CAUSE HER TO LOSE TRACTION AND PILE UP NEATLY!

BUT BILLIE'S INTUITION TOLD HER TO SWING WIDE...

WHAT'S THAT DOPE TRYING TO PULL?

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TWICE BILLIE PULLED ALONGSIDE MOIRA IN AN ATTEMPT TO PASS, PUT MOIRA EDGED HER OVER...

I'VE GOT TO SLOW DOWN OR SHE'LL PUSH ME RIGHT OFF THE ROAD!

WITH 50 MORE MILES TO GO, MOIRA DELIBERATELY SPUN ON A TIGHT TURN. BILLIE, TRYING NOT TO SMASH INTO HER, SHOT INTO A WOODEN FENCE...

WHAM

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FORCE ME TO CRINKLE MY FENDERS, EH, YOU OLD BAT? THIS IS ***WAR!***

IT TOOK 37 MILES FOR BILLIE TO CATCH UP TO MOIRA...

SHE CUTS ME OFF EVERY TIME! I ONLY HAVE 13 MILES IN WHICH TO PASS HER!

THE HOME STRETCH! IF SHE LETS THAT FERRARI OUT IT CAN WIND UP TO 175 M.P.H.! I'LL NEVER PASS HER NOW!

I WON! GUESS THAT SHOULD TEACH THAT ***NICK*** TO STAY OUT OF WHERE SHE HAS NO BUSINESS!

BUT AS MOIRA LOOKED OVER HER SHOULDER, GLOATING, THE FERRARI VEERED TOWARD AN ABUTMENT AND...

CRUNCH

LATER...

MRS. HERRON WASN'T HURT, BILLIE...

NUMBER 29, A FERRARI DRIVEN BY MRS. MOIRA HERRON CAME IN FIRST... BUT DUE TO UNSPORTSMANLIKE DRIVING SHE HAS BEEN DISQUALIFIED... AND THE SECOND PLACE CAR HAS BEEN DECLARED WINNER! MISS DAWN...

MORTY, WE ***WON!*** GUESS THAT'LL SHOW ***EVERYBODY*** AMERICAN IRON CAN STAND UP AGAINST ***ANYTHING, ANYTIME!***

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THIS MONTH'S

PIN-UP

READERS: HERE'S A MONTHLY PIN-UP PARADE OF YOUR FAVORITE CARS: WHETHER HOT ROD, CUSTOM OR ANTIQUE, THE CAR RECEIVING THE MOST REQUESTS WILL BE THE **CAR OF THE MONTH!**

AND, THE NAMES OF ALL OF YOU WHO VOTED FOR THE MONTH'S FAVORITE WILL HAVE **YOUR NAMES** LISTED.

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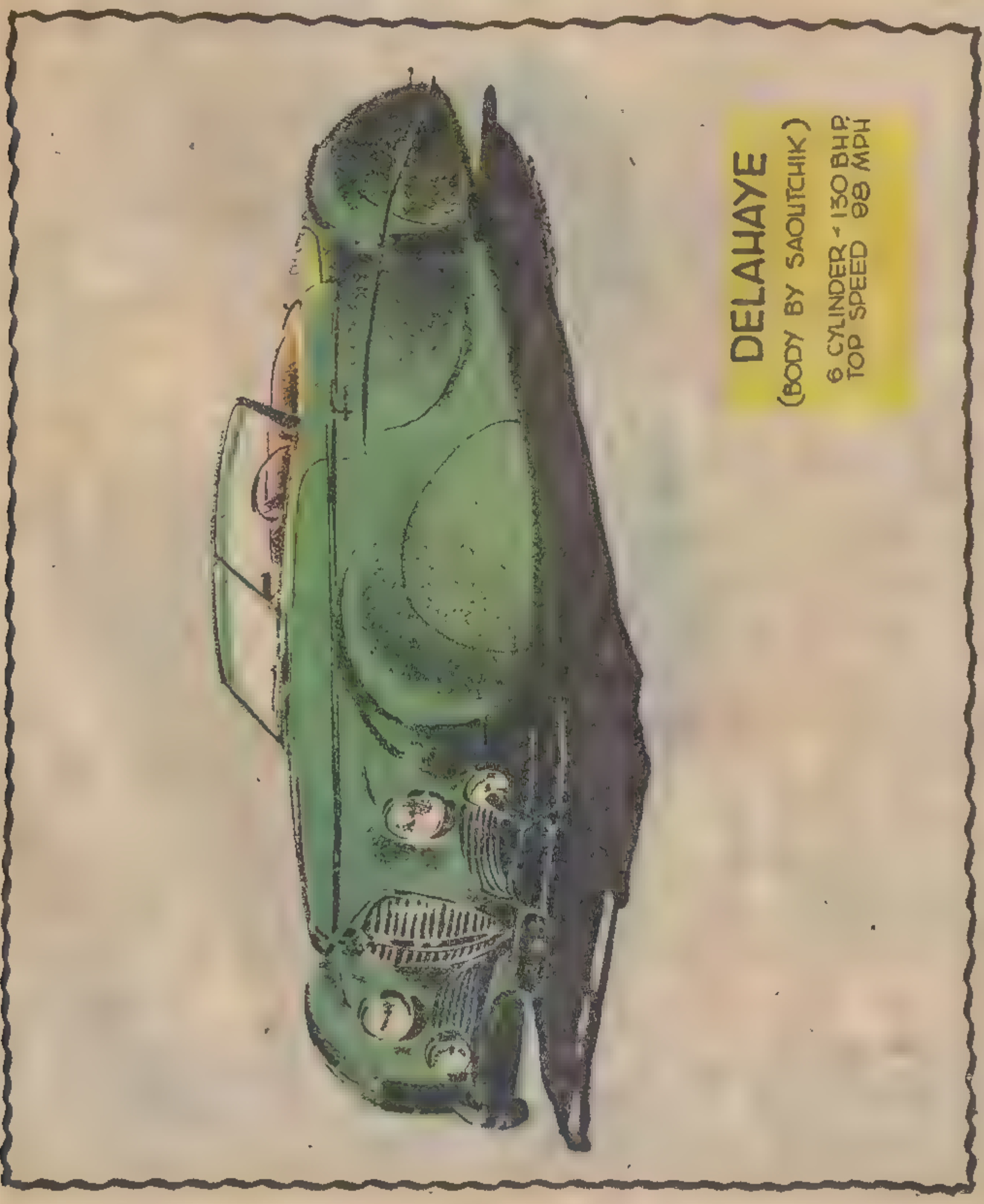

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HOT ROD TALK

HEAT RACES

THE FIRST FOUR RACERS IN A STOCK CAR RACE TO DETERMINE THE CAR'S POSITION IN THE MAIN EVENT.

GETTIN' KINDA HOT AROUND HERE!

FROM GARY SMITH ROUTE Nº 2 NEWBERRY, S.C.

FROM GARRY SMITH ROUTE Nº 2 NEWBERRY, S.C.

HOT HEADS

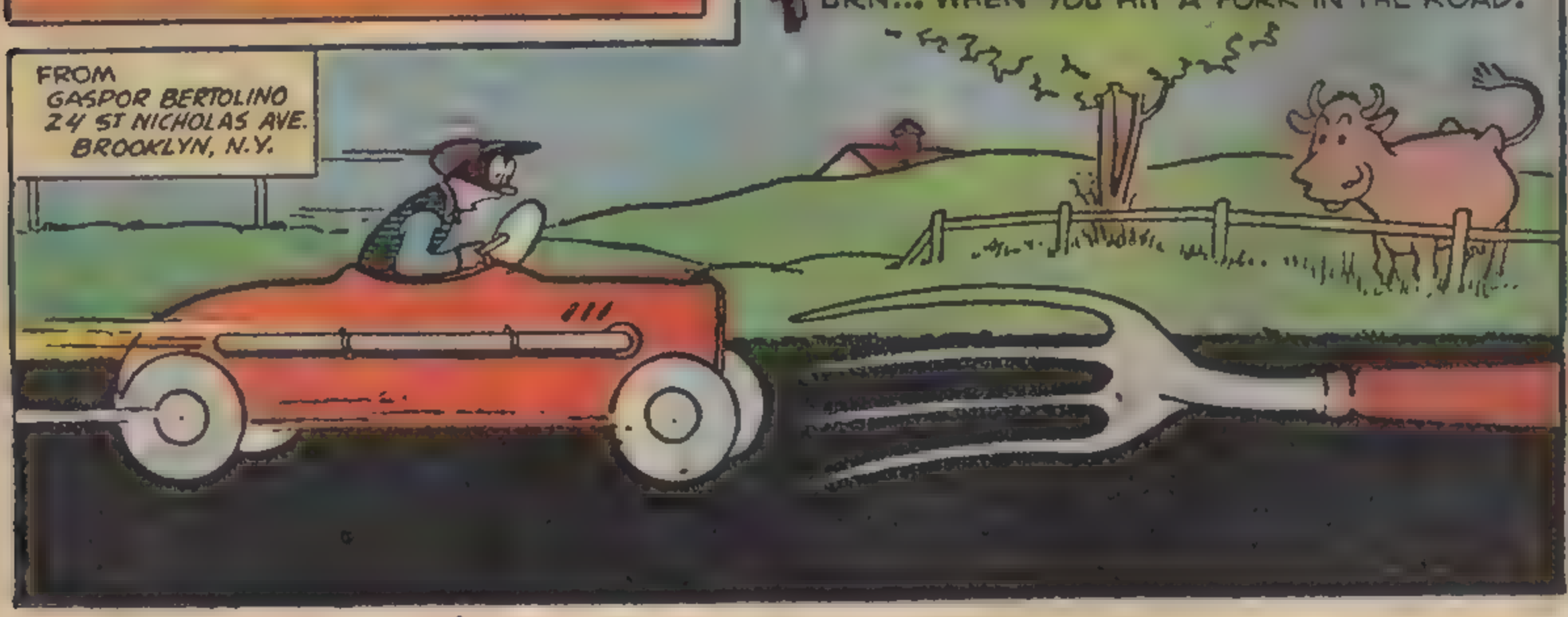
HEADS WHICH ARE FIXED FOR MORE COMPRESSION AND LARGER PISTONS ARE USUALLY USED IN MODIFIED RACING.

PULLING THE REINS

PUTTING ON THE BRAKES

FROM PAT SHARPE 301 COLLEGE DANVILLE, ILL.

TURN... WHEN YOU HIT A FORK IN THE ROAD.



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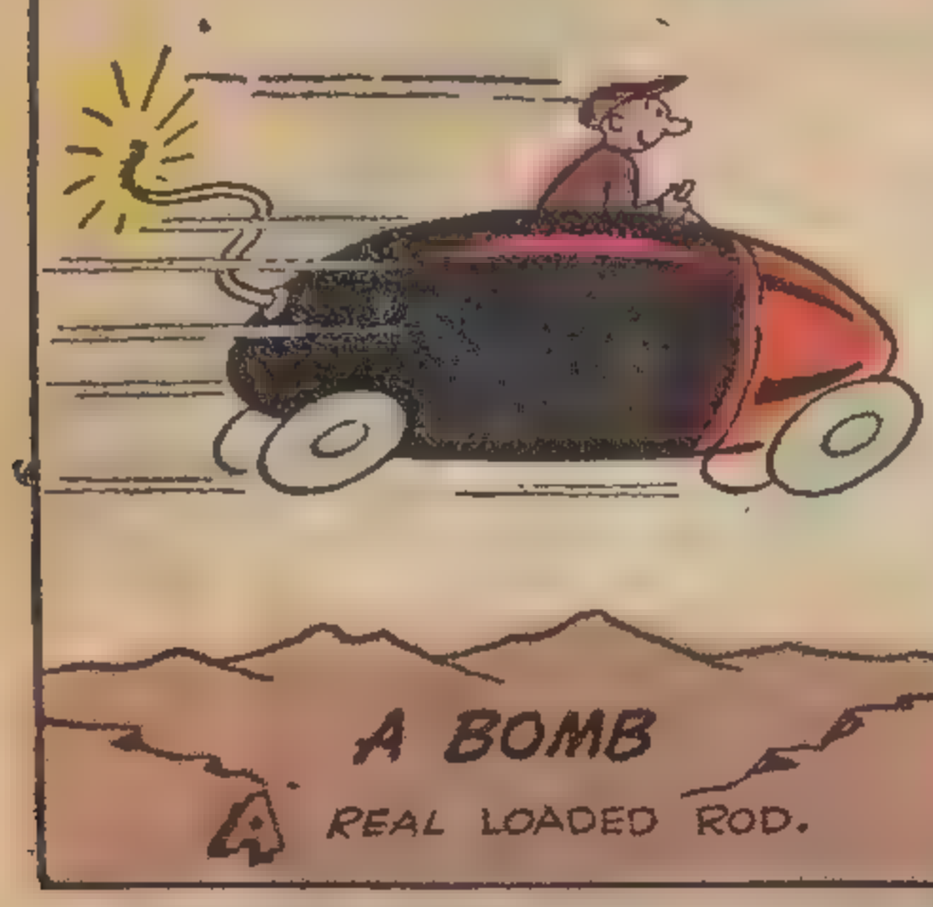
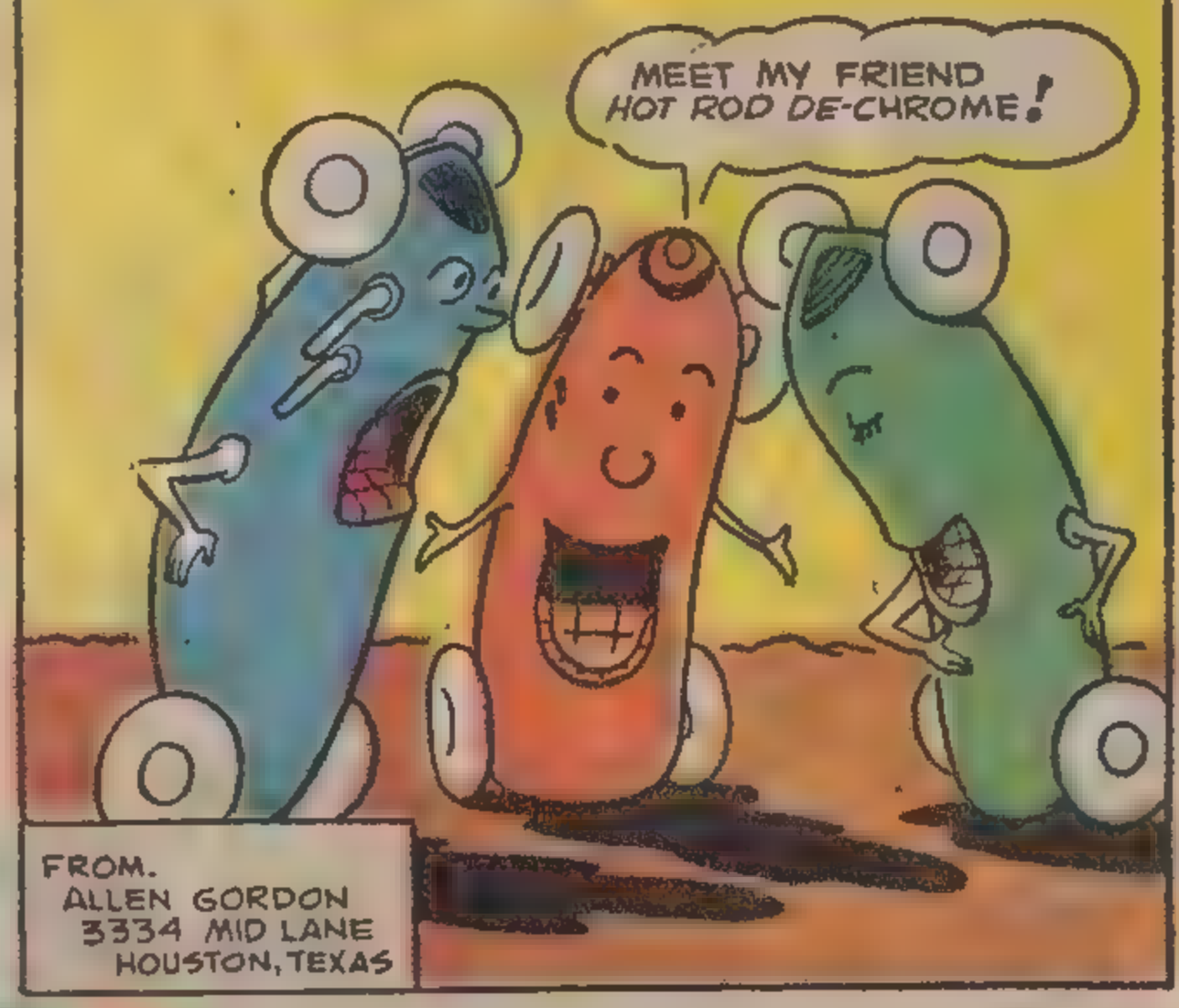


A BOMB
A REAL LOADED ROD.

DE-CHROME

TO TAKE ALL THE CHROME OFF OF A CAR TO GIVE A *CUSTOM* APPEARANCE.



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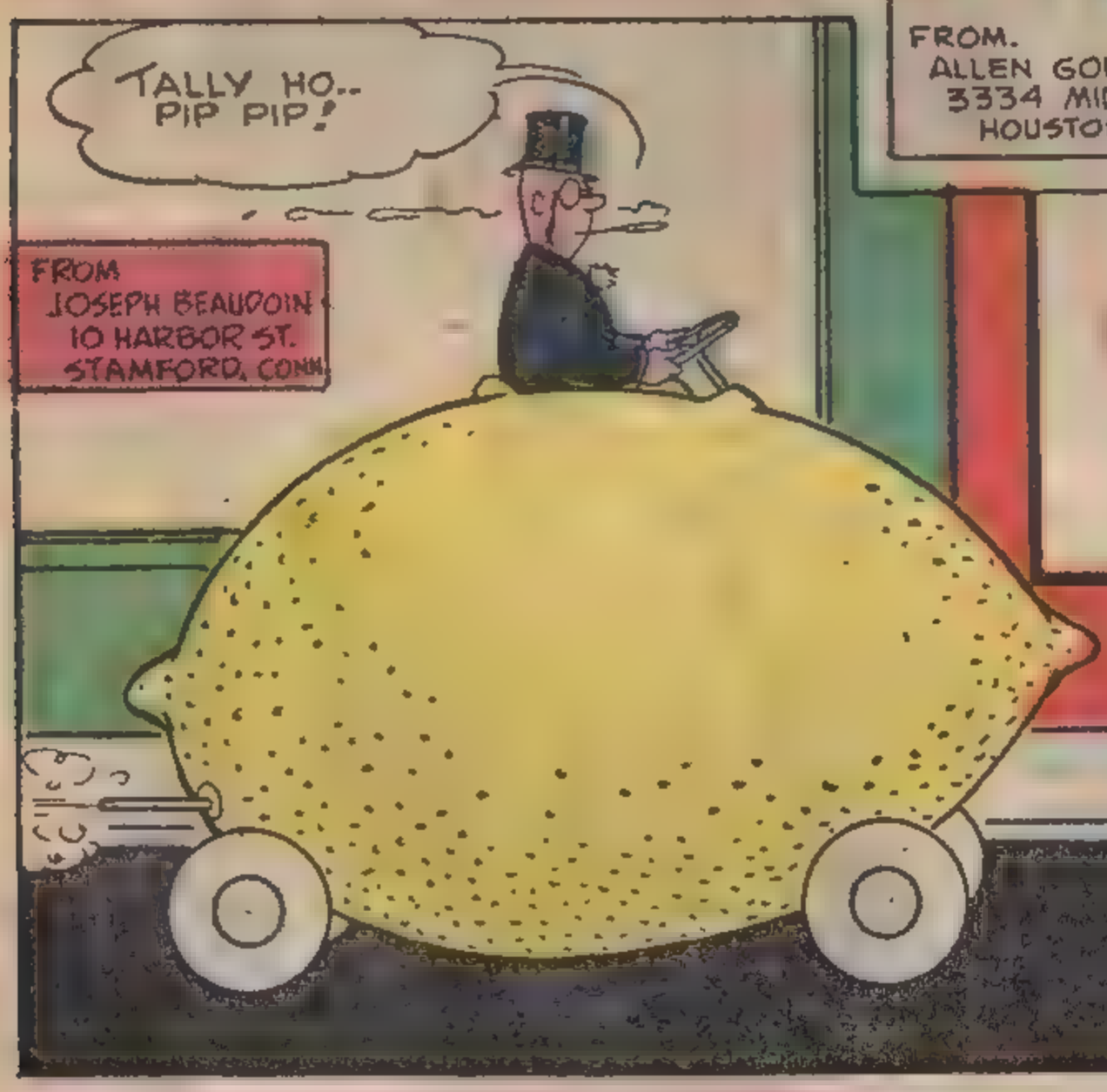

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LEMON LORD

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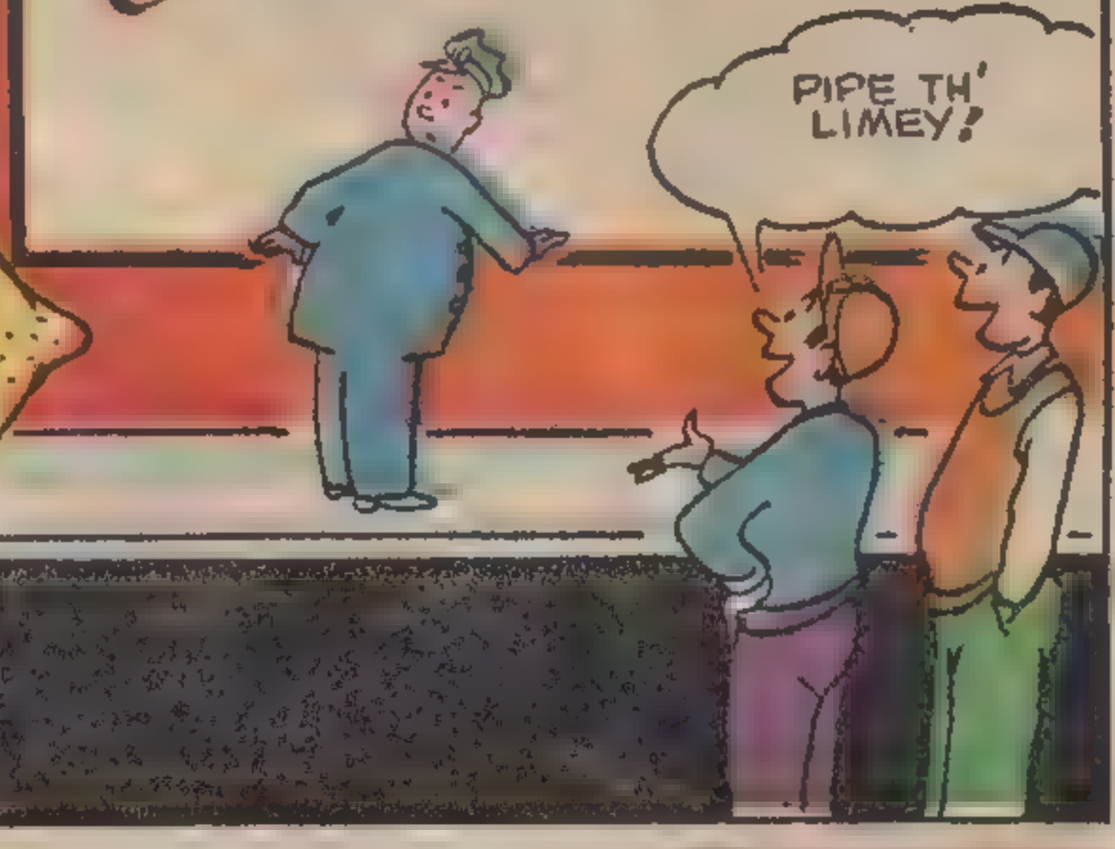

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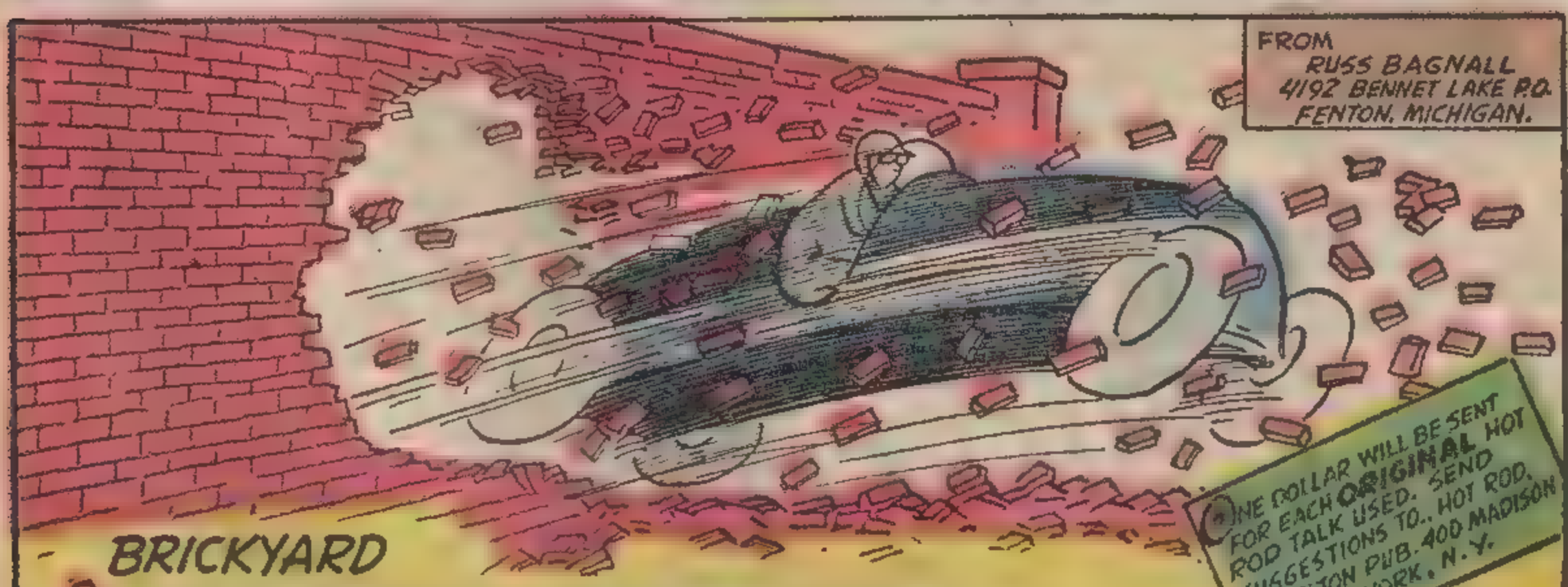

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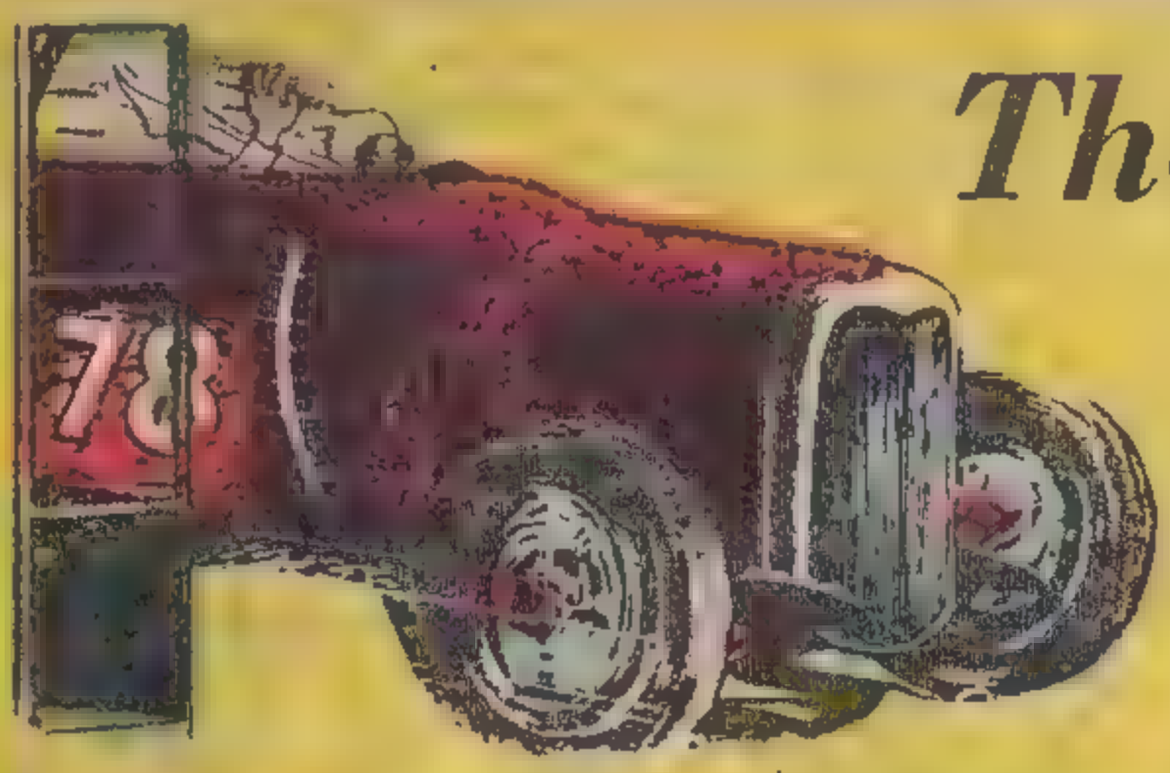


The Hampton Hot Rod Jamboree

Maria Braun wasn't a jealous girl. From a practical viewpoint there was no necessity for this state of affairs. First, she had been voted the prettiest senior at Hampton High School. Second, she had the boy she wanted, Douglas Kent, president of the Senior Class. But at this given moment she was in a teasing mood as she tossed back her blonde hair.

"I really wonder who has the special spot in your heart? That hot rod of yours? Or myself? Suppose you had to save one of us? Who would it be?"

"Don't force an issue, my pet," snapped back Douglas Kent with mock seriousness in his voice. "If you compare details you will find both of you are almost evenly matched. Name of my Hot Rod is the Road Buster. Born a '32 Ford. I removed the original '32 V8 klunker and installed a four barrel and transmission from a European Ford sports car. You'll find .040 oversize pistons, EB European head, cast aluminum pan, twin Stromberg 97 carbs, and a high cam. Got an affection for that car. Name of my girl is Maria Braun. She was a '36 model but each year changed the chassis a bit, and now after 17 years she's still in good shape. Two blue headlights. Top upholstery is something between gold and light orange. Heart, lungs, and motor always working. Fuel capacity light. Got an affection for that gal."

Marie laughed as she looked at her boy friend and then at his car. "We have an appointment with Dr. Howard in his office. And you know our principal never likes to have anyone come even a teeny weeny second late. Maybe if we catch him in a good mood, you can sell him your brain storm about having a Hot Rod Jamboree. Who knows? In this day and age, a miracle can happen even in our school."

Dr. John R. Howard eyed carefully the members of the school council assembled in his office. That stern face of his was enough to freeze water into ice.

"You think he was born with that high collar on his neck?" Joe Simpson had once asked the gang. "Or did he lose a bet some thirty years ago and is wearing it as punishment?"

No matter what they thought of their principal, all the students were agreed about one thing. Mrs. Ruth Howard, his wife, was certainly a wonderful woman. And their three year old daughter, Susan, was adorable.

"I have before me a petition signed by the members of the school council," began the principal. "Permission is asked to run a Hot Rod Jamboree in June. Also permission is asked to convert the south field into a drag strip. Gentlemen, it is one of the essential attributes of a democracy that in order to act intelligently, we must have sound information. Exactly what would take place at this so-called Jamboree?"

"As secretary of our local Hot Rod Club," began Joe Simpson, "I can explain plans for the Jamboree. All Hot Rod cars will be on the field. Officer Frank Murphy of the Traffic Education Division of the State will be present. He will show how cars are inspected. Then give a short talk on safety. We shall have a tire changing contest for the girls. Then a trouble shooting contest for the boys. Prizes will be donated by the local merchants. All this is to take place in the morning. Then in the afternoon we go over to the drag strip for the rest of the show."

"I'll explain about that drag strip," continued Douglas Kent. "As president of our Hot Rod Club I have been in constant contact with other Hot Rod Clubs throughout the country. The drag race sport has been growing. Our national committee recommends that any strip under consideration be a minimum of six tenths of a mile in length. A length of six

tenths of a mile should allow adequate stopping distance for the fastest cars on a quarter mile course. Spectators and their cars must be kept away from the starting area and as far away from the sides of the strip as practicable. Our national committee recommends a minimum distance of 150 feet. I have with me the plans for the layout of the drag racing course. All I need is your approval. The members of our Hot Rod Club will start working at once."

It was evident that the principal of Hampton High School was a bit uncomfortable. Maybe it was the high collar he was wearing. Or maybe it was the sad fact that he had sort of lost contact with modern day youth and their activities. But being an educator he knew he had to do some checking up on what he had just heard. So he stalled for time with the time honored sentence.

"I shall give everything you said my full consideration and announce my decision shortly."

At the end of three weeks one thing became apparent to Douglas Kent as well as to the other members of the Hot Rod Club. Unless their principal gave them an affirmative answer within a few days they could never finish the drag strip in time.

"We all go up to Silver Lake Saturday morning," Maria Braun told the boys. "I just spoke to Officer Frank Murphy. He said it would be o.k. to use the Wiliton section of the old road for our speed tests. Both ends have been cut off from the main highway and we can use it on week ends as long as we notify him. He will be there to watch our trial runs."

It was a pleasant Saturday morning and all the cars were assembled at the southern end of the road. Officer Frank Murphy was checking on the hot rod just finished by Joe Simpson who was explaining its construction.

"I call her 'Twins.' Sort of a combination hot rod and sports car. Started with a '39 Ford sedan I bought from my uncle. Dismantled it and used only the transmission and rear end. Then I added a '37 Dodge frame, front axle and spindles, springs, shocks and brakes. A '34 Ford driveshaft and housing were shortened 22 inches and hooked up to the '39 gearbox. This allowed the engine to be placed behind the front axle with an oil pan-to-ground clearance of four inches. For final details the engine is a '49 Ford, ported, relieved and bored to .030 over Mercury."

Suddenly a terrible cry of "Help" came from the beach at Silver Lake. Douglas Kent was sitting with Maria Braun in his "Road Buster." Within a minute his car shot off the road, went over the small hill that separated the road from the beach, and stopped. Douglas Kent and Maria Braun jumped out of the car and ran up to a screaming hysterical woman. She was none other than Mrs. Ruth Howard. She pointed to something black in the water.

"The car rolled down into the lake. Susan is inside."

Without hesitation, Douglas Kent dashed into the lake. He dove to the side of the car and spotted little Susan on the front seat. The windows were all shut and only a little water was trickling through. She waved a hand to him. He tried the door handle but it wouldn't budge. He had to work against time to save that little girl! He came up to the surface and landed on the beach.

"Quick," he shouted to the boys gathering around him. "Get those chains. We have to hook our cars together and pull out Mrs. Howard's car. Susan is inside!"

They broke every speed record for efficiency. There was no panic. Douglas Kent took the chain and attached it to the car and the joint effort of the hot rods did the trick. Susan was none the worse for her experience. She enjoyed it so much that all she managed to say was just one short sentence.

"Do it again!"

The day for the great Hot Rod Jamboree had come. And it was a great success. Maria Braun won the prize for changing a tire in the shortest time. And Douglas Kent got the trouble shooting prize. Officer Murphy gave a good talk on safety factors. Before they went over to the drag racing course, the principal made a short speech.

"I firmly believe that the Hot Rod movement is a good sound moral factor in helping our youth today. We should do everything in our power to encourage Hot Rod Clubs. And I even feel girls should join them. In fact I want you to meet the youngest hot rod driver in the country."

And suddenly a very small midget car appeared. It was driven by a little three year old girl wearing a crash helmet and a pair of goggles. People cheered as they realized the girl was little Susan Howard.

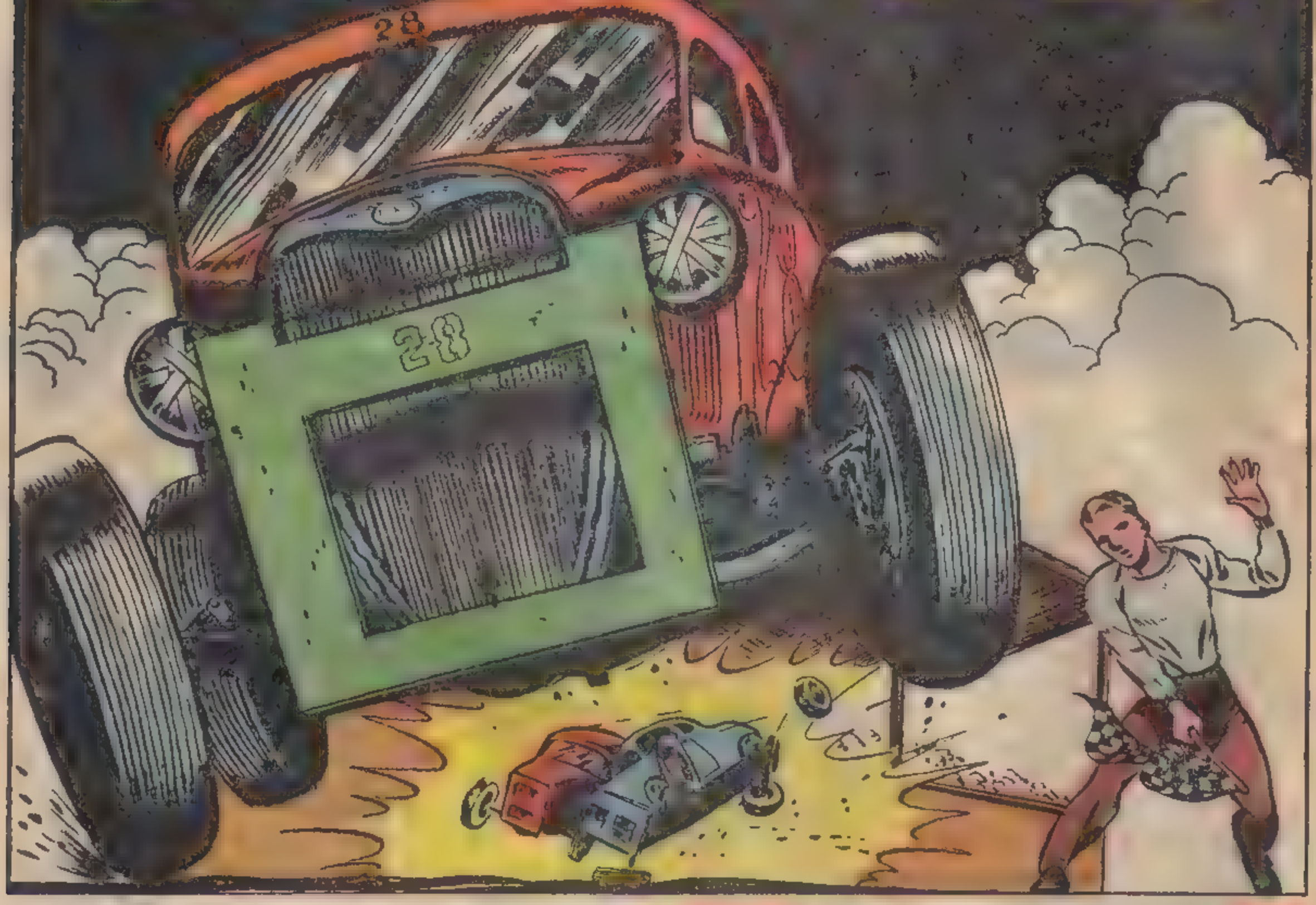
"You deserve a kiss for building that little car for Susan," remarked Maria. "And I won't even be jealous of her."

"What a man deserves, he should get," was the apt reply.

The End

DENNY LAUREN'S INTERESTS LAY ONLY IN COMPRESSION RATIOS, HOT CAMS, FUEL MIXTURES, AND TIMING MEETS. BUT THE SILVER LINING OF LIFE BECAME DIMMED ONE AFTERNOON AND STRANGELY ENOUGH, FATE FORCED HIM TO THE OTHER EXTREME...JOCKEYING AN UNMODIFIED COUPE WITH A COMPLETELY PURE...

STOCK MILL!

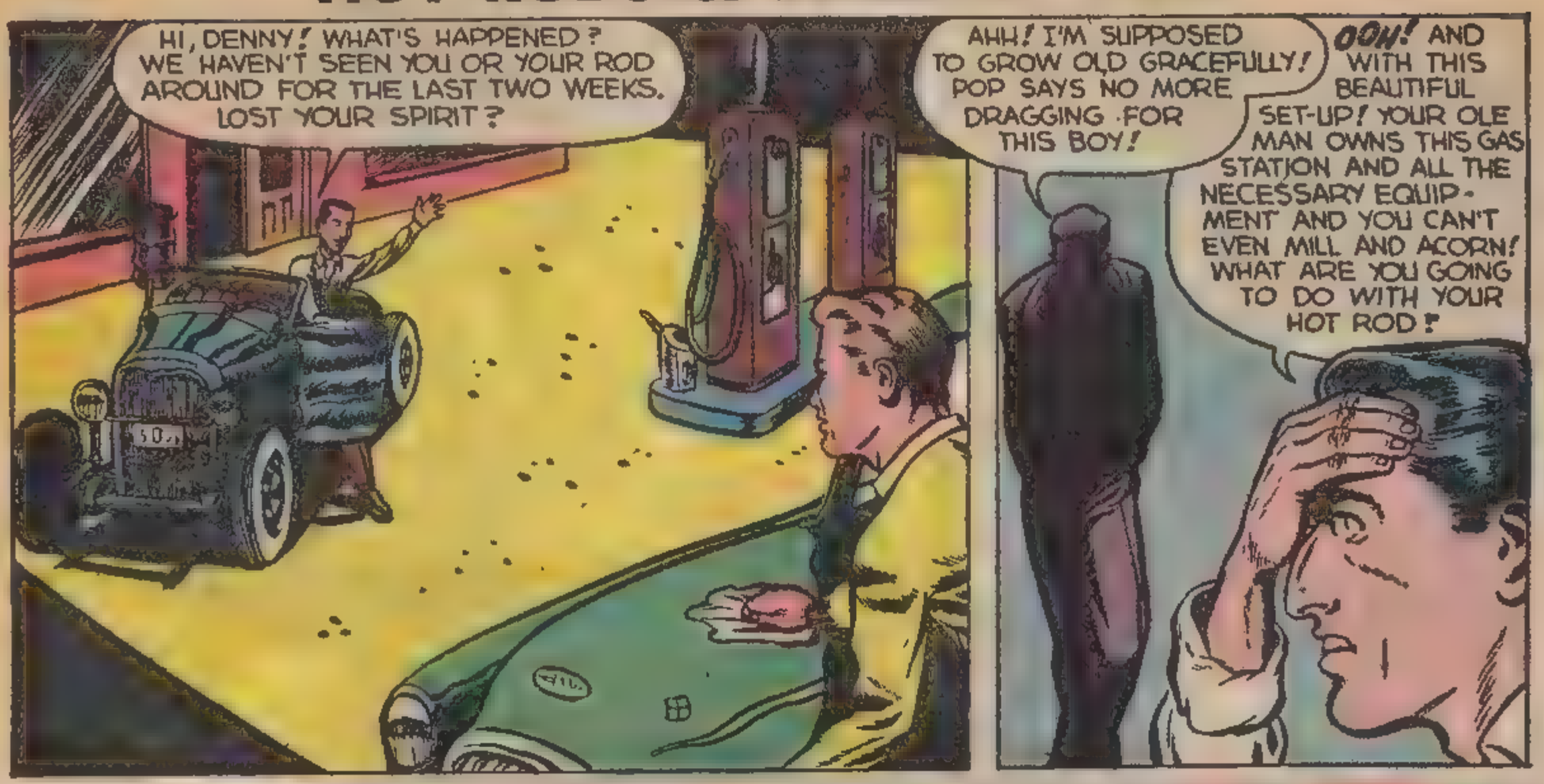


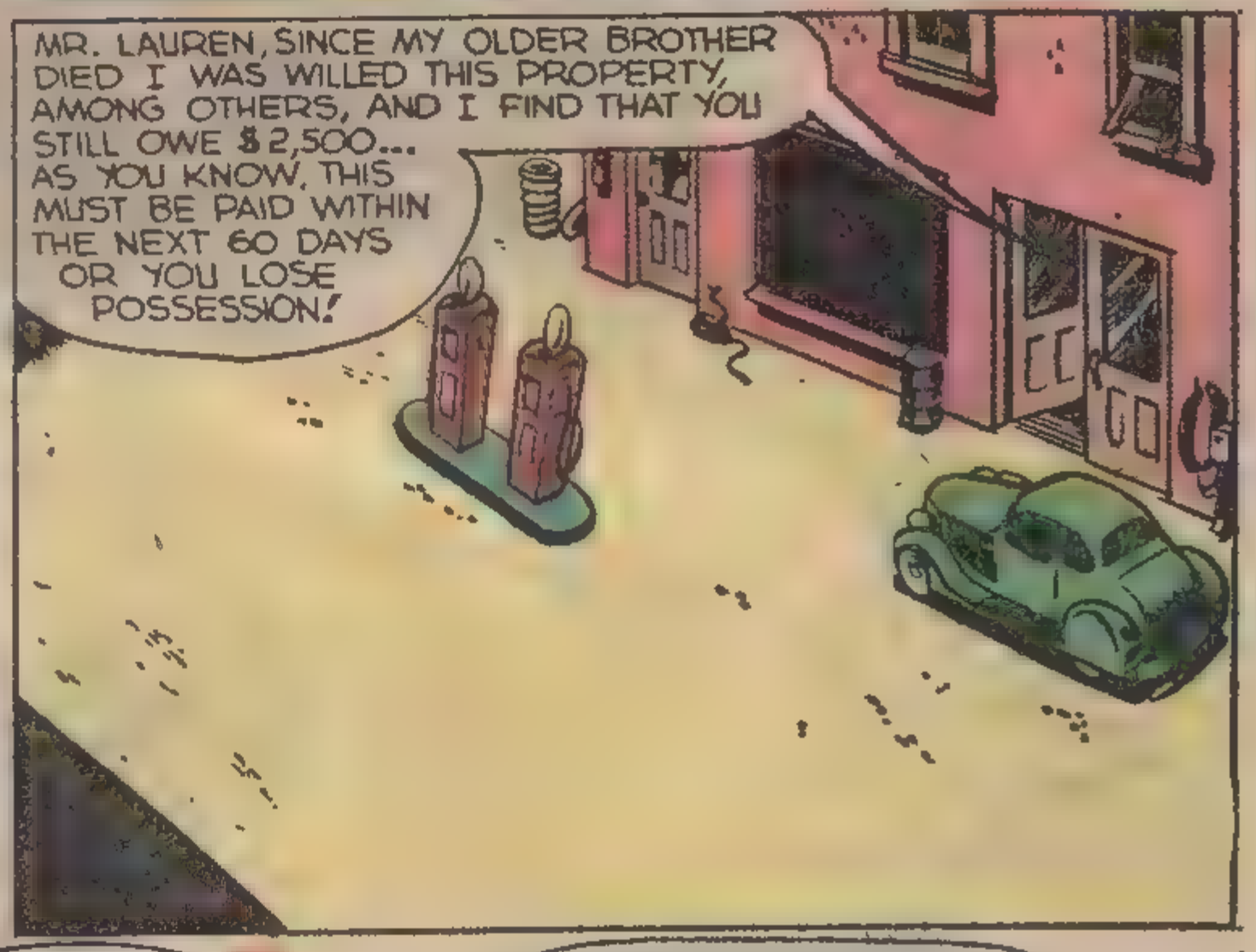
DENNY, I HOPE THAT WHAT I HEARD ABOUT YOU COMPETING IN HOT ROD RACES ISN'T TRUE. I SHOULDN'T HAVE EVEN ALLOWED YOU THAT ***HOT ROD!***

BUT, POP, THEY'RE SUPERVISED DRAG RACES...RACING AGAINST A CLOCK! THEY'RE PERFECTLY SAFE!

WELL, I WANT NO MORE OF IT! I WANT MY SON TO LIVE TO A RIPE OLD AGE. NO MORE RACING OF ***ANY KIND!*** UNDERSTAND?

HOT RODS & RACING CARS


HI, DENNY! WHAT'S HAPPENED? WE HAVEN'T SEEN YOU OR YOUR ROD AROUND FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS. LOST YOUR SPIRIT?
AHH! I'M SUPPOSED TO GROW OLD GRACEFULLY! POP SAYS NO MORE DRAGGING FOR THIS BOY!
OOH! AND WITH THIS BEAUTIFUL SET-UP! YOUR OLE MAN OWNS THIS GAS STATION AND ALL THE NECESSARY EQUIP-MENT AND YOU CAN'T EVEN MILL AND ACORN! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH YOUR HOT ROD?


MR. LAUREN, SINCE MY OLDER BROTHER DIED I WAS WILLED THIS PROPERTY, AMONG OTHERS, AND I FIND THAT YOU STILL OWE $2,500... AS YOU KNOW, THIS MUST BE PAID WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS OR YOU LOSE POSSESSION!

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GEEZ, DENNY. WHAT ARE YOU PEOPLE GOING TO DO?

I'M NOT SURE, BUT I THINK I *CAN* DO IT!

TREEPORT, WEXTER AND ISLAND STADIUMS JUST STARTED RACING COMPLETELY UNMODIFIED STOCKS... I'M GOING TO LOOK AROUND FOR A FAST 34 OR 36 FORD. AND POP ISN'T GOING TO KNOW A THING!

DENNY SPENT THE FOLLOWING WEEK LOOKING FOR A FAIR SHAPED, FAST FORD. HE 'CLEANED' UP THE MOTOR, ADDED DUAL EXHAUSTS, INSTALLED A ROLL BAR AND APPLIED FOR ENTRY IN THE CIRCUIT. THE FOLLOWING SATURDAY HE COMPETED IN HIS FIRST STOCK CAR RACE... AND CAME IN *LAST!*

YOU'LL NEVER MAKE IT IF YOU KEEP THIS PACE DENNY!

GUESS I WASN'T USED TO THOSE 'TURN' PILE UPS. ANYWAY, I WANTED TO GET THE FEEL OF THIS TYPE OF RACING.

THE WAY I FIGURE IT, BOTT... TREEPORT HOLDS RACES ON SATURDAY, WEXTER ON SUNDAY AND ISLAND STADIUM ON TUESDAY... IF I WIN ONE RACE AT EACH OF THESE TRACKS FOR 4 WEEKS, I'LL BE ABLE TO PAY OFF OUR HOUSE AND STATION.

THAT WOULD BE DOING TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, DEN.

BUT I *CAN* DO IT, BOTT. I KNOW MY CAR CAN TAKE OVER THOSE JALOPIES. WATCH ME TOMORROW!

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AT WEXTER STADIUM THE FOLLOWING DAY, DENNY PULLED UP FROM LAST PLACE TO NUMBER 2 SPOT...

...AND PASSED 44 AS THE CHECKER WENT DOWN.

YEEOWEE! YOU WON, DENNY BOY!

KEEP THIS UP, KID, AND YOU'LL HAVE ENOUGH TO BUY THE WHOLE TOWN!

LET'S KEEP OUR FINGERS CROSSED, BECAUSE IF MY FATHER EVER FOUND OUT I WAS RACING.. THAT WOULD BE THE *END!*

SEVEN WEEKS LATER, DENNY HAD GAINED RECOGNITION AS TOP DRIVER IN THE CIRCUIT. IT WAS TUESDAY NIGHT AT ISLAND STADIUM...

THAT'S THE GUY... JUST SEE TO IT HE DOESN'T WIN ANY MORE RACES!

I'VE GOT TO GET LAUREN'S PROPERTY SO I CAN SELL THAT WHOLE FRONTAGE ON MAIN STREET TO THAT DEPARTMENT STORE. AT THE RATE THAT KID IS WINNING, HE'LL HAVE TWICE THE AMOUNT HE NEEDS! JUST GET HIM!

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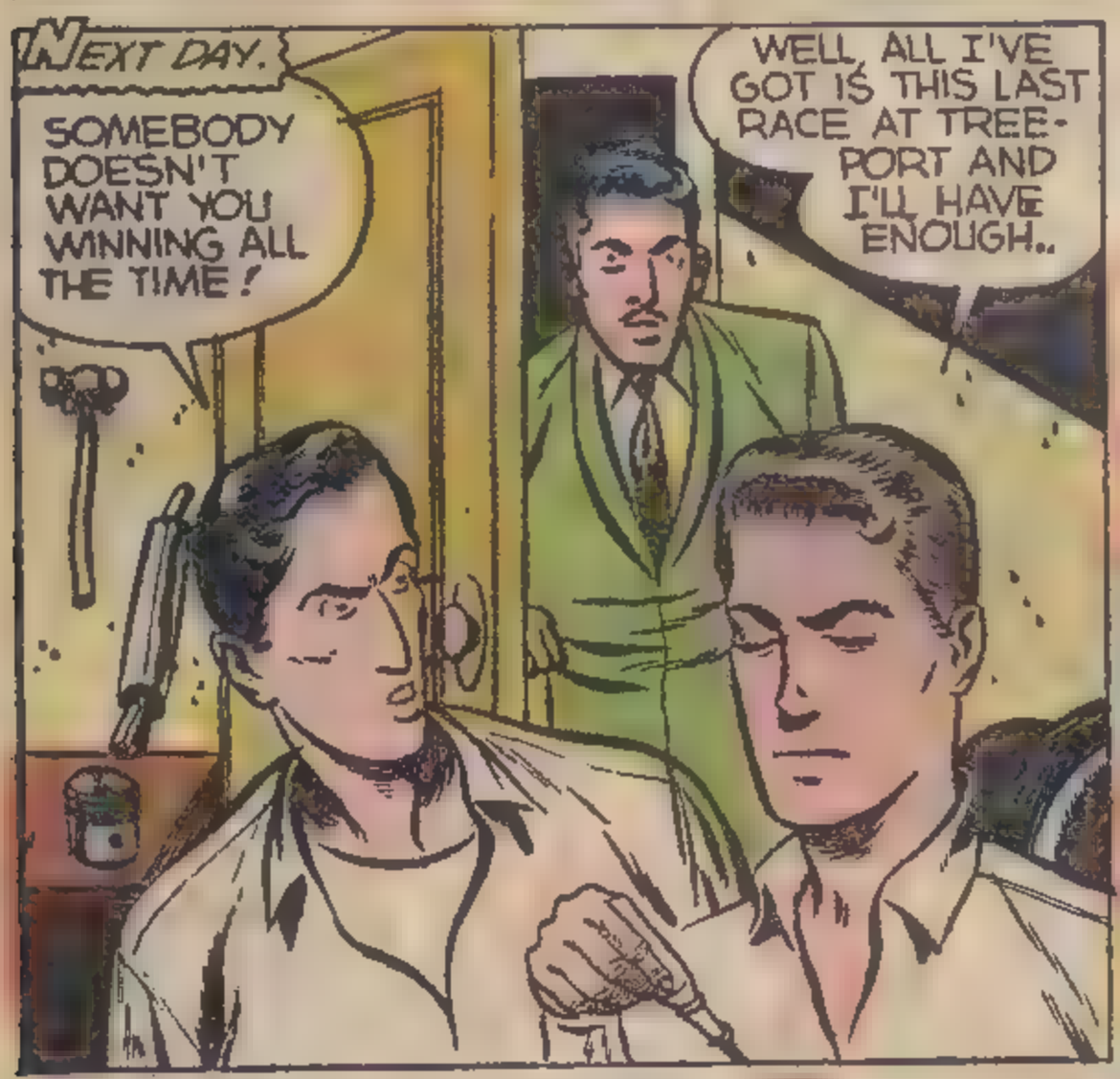
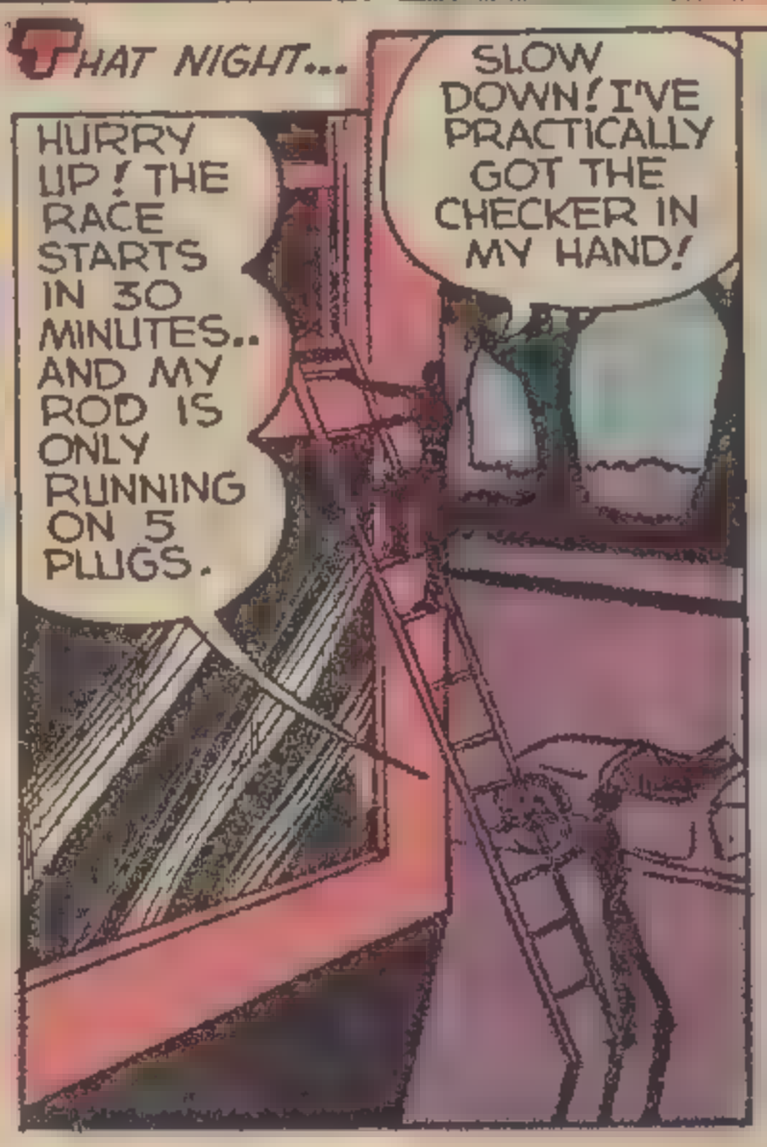


WHAT'S THIS ABOUT YOU RACING, DENNY?
WHY.. AH...
DON'T WORRY, MR. LAUREN. DENNY WILL BE PAYING OF THIS PLACE COMPLETELY AFTER TOMORROW!


THAT NIGHT...
HURRY UP! THE RACE STARTS IN 30 MINUTES.. AND MY ROD IS ONLY RUNNING ON 5 PLUGS.
SLOW DOWN! I'VE PRACTICALLY GOT THE CHECKER IN MY HAND!

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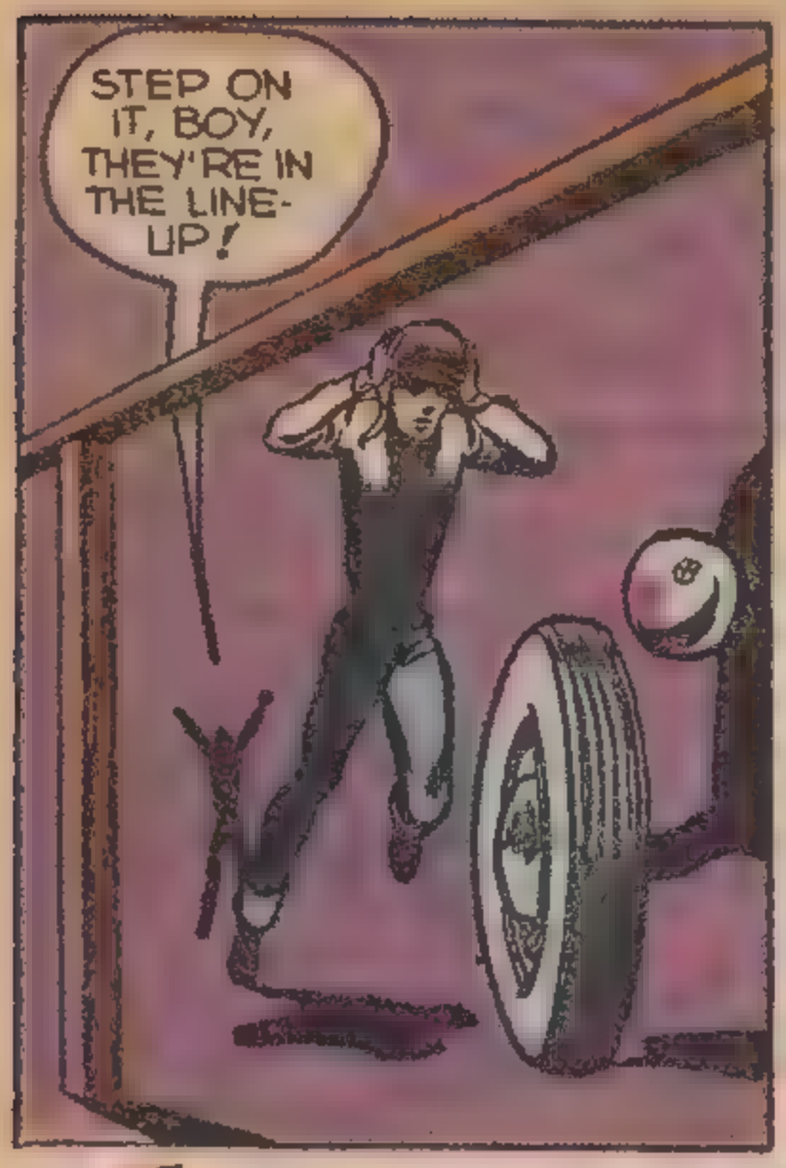
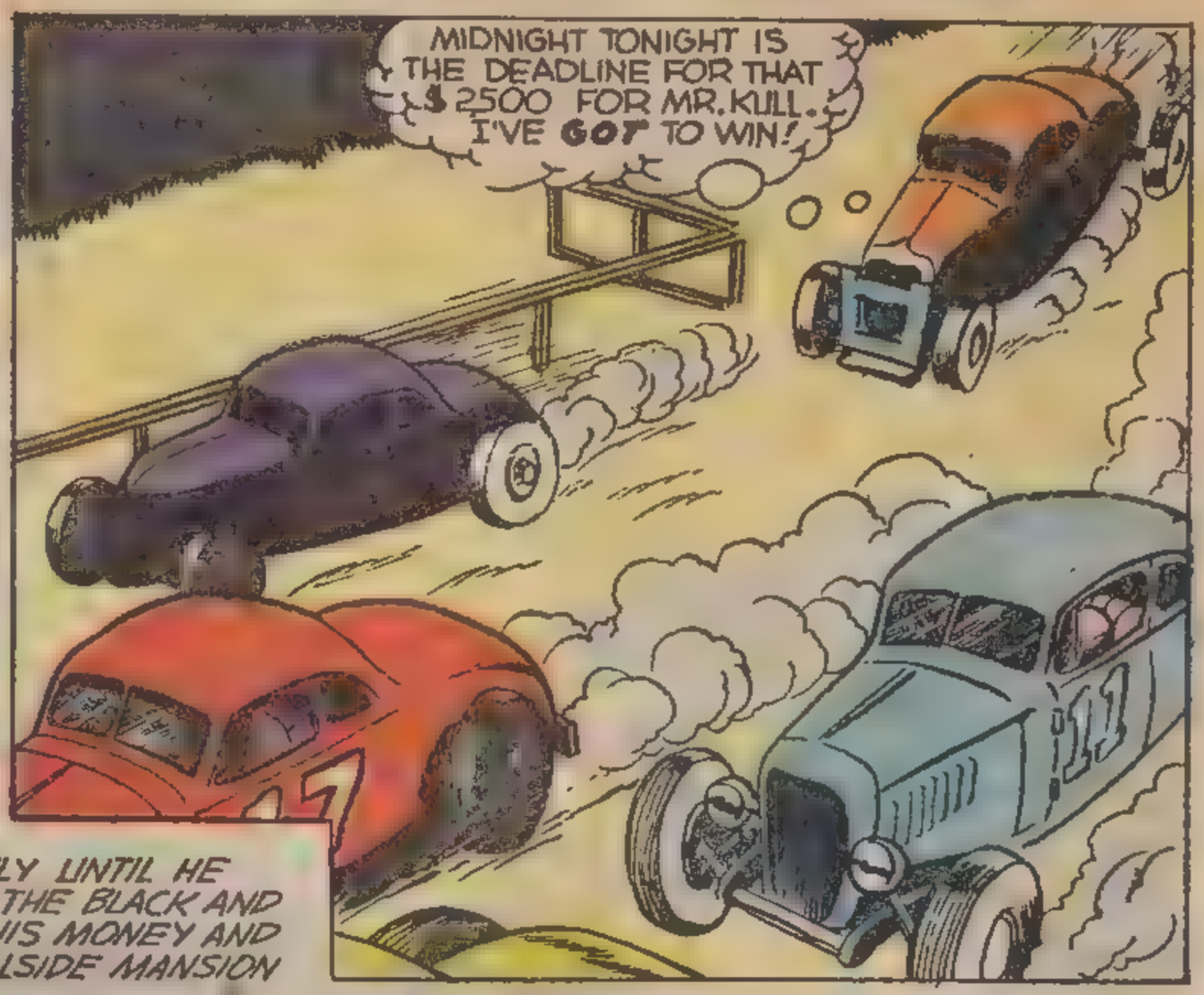
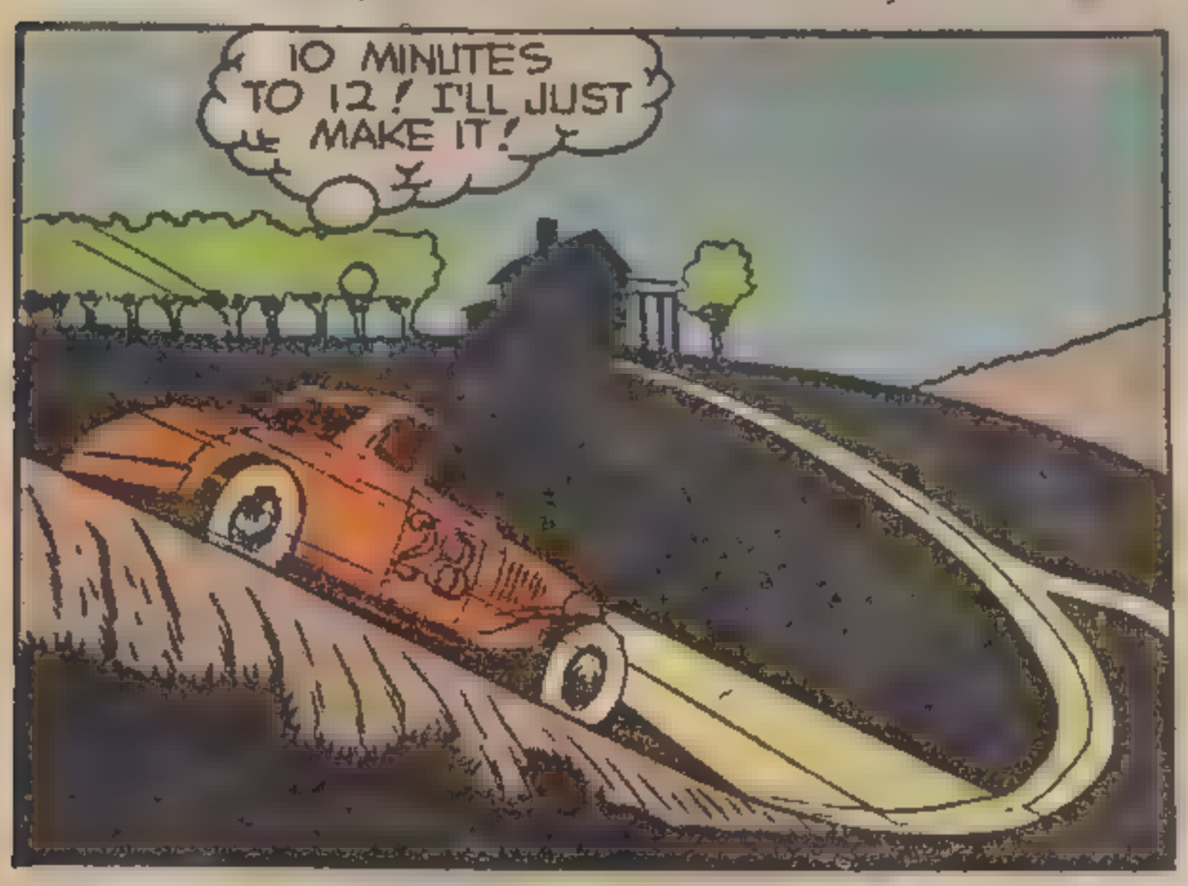
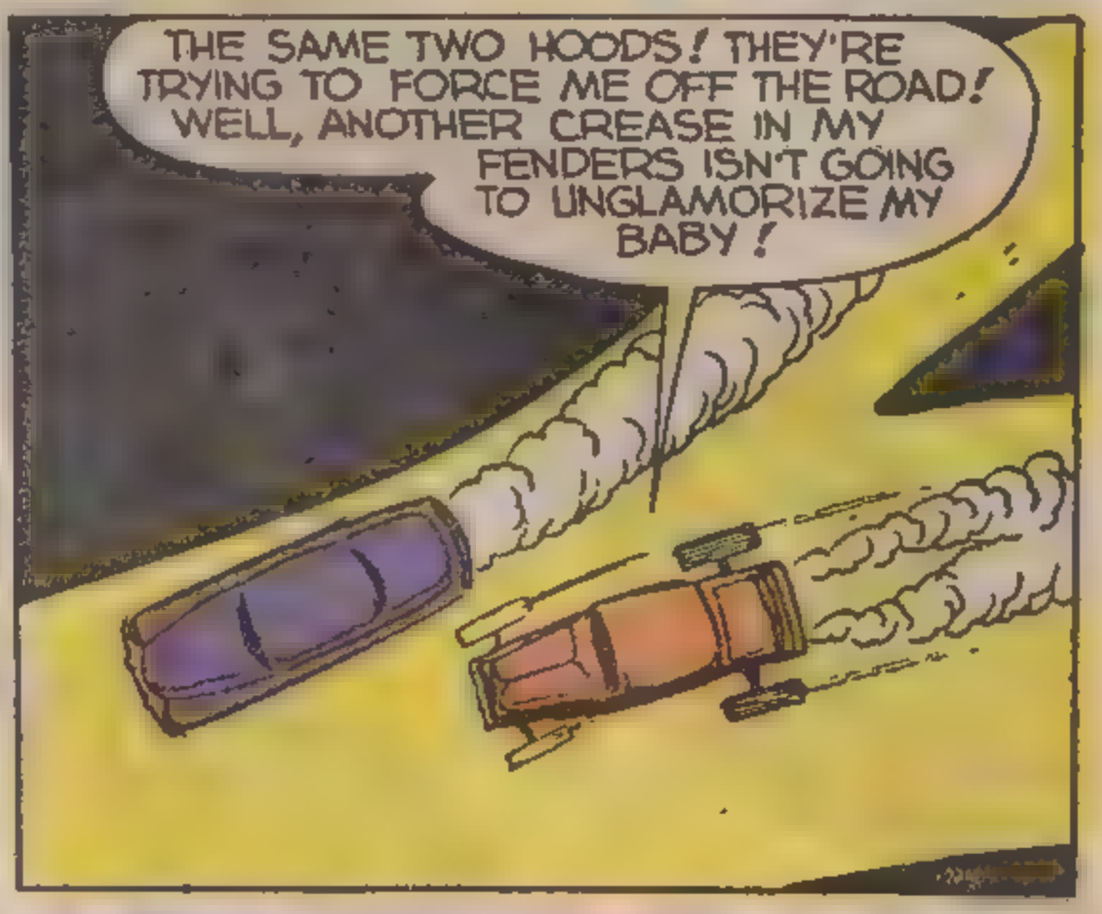


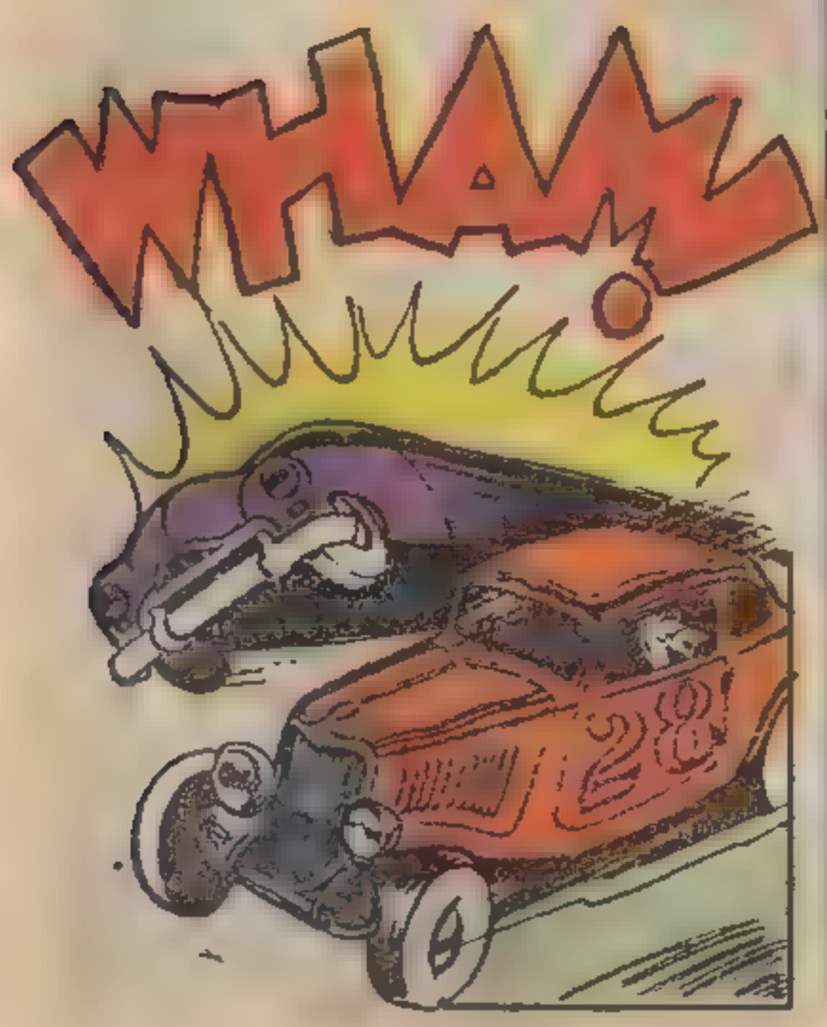
DENNY DARTED IN AS TAIL LAST CHARLIE. THE STARTER, NOT NOTICING NO 28'S ENTRY, DID NOT ORDER A RESTART.

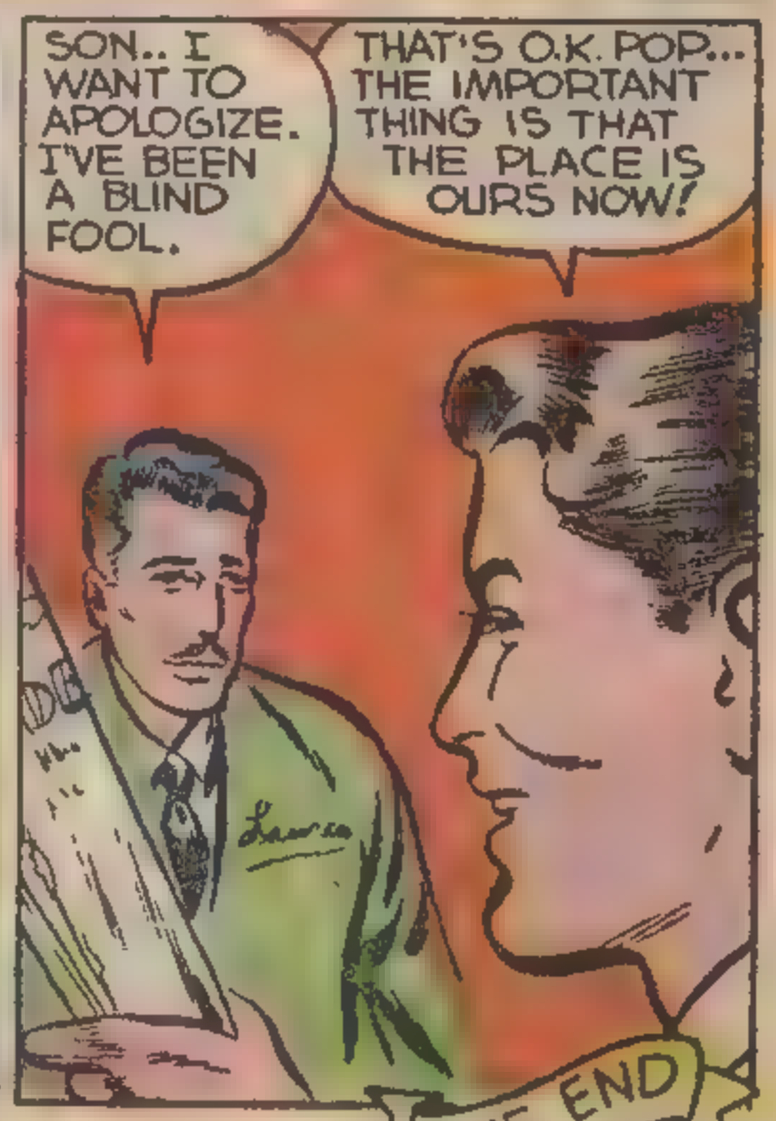


...HE PASSED EACH CAR SLOWLY UNTIL HE LED THE PACK AND FLASHED BY THE BLACK AND WHITE BUNTING. HE COLLECTED HIS MONEY AND RACED NO 28 TO MR. KULL'S HILLSIDE MANSION WITH THE $2,500...



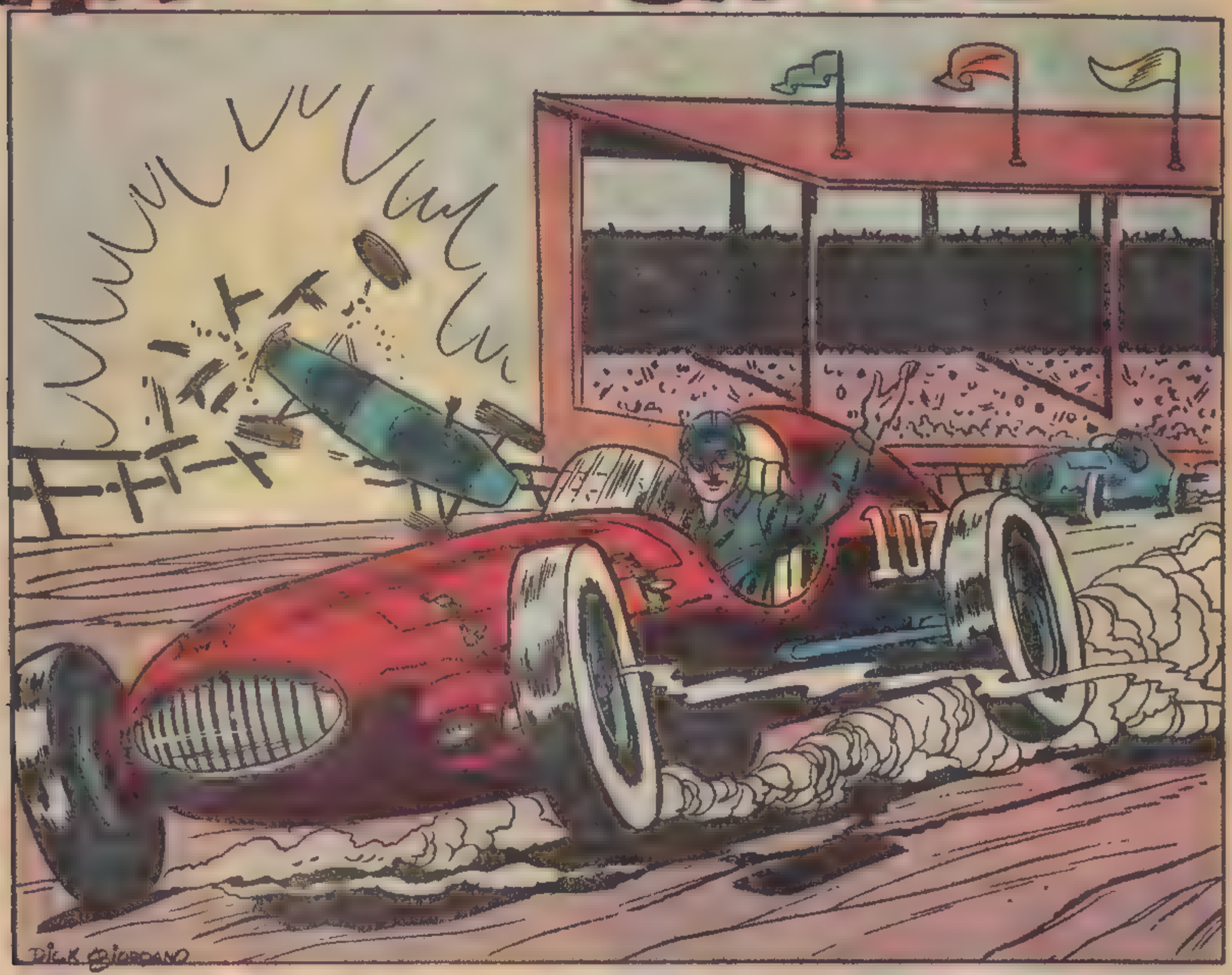

THE SAME TWO HOODS! THEY'RE TRYING TO FORCE ME OFF THE ROAD! WELL, ANOTHER CREASE IN MY FENDERS ISN'T GOING TO UNGLAMORIZE MY BABY!



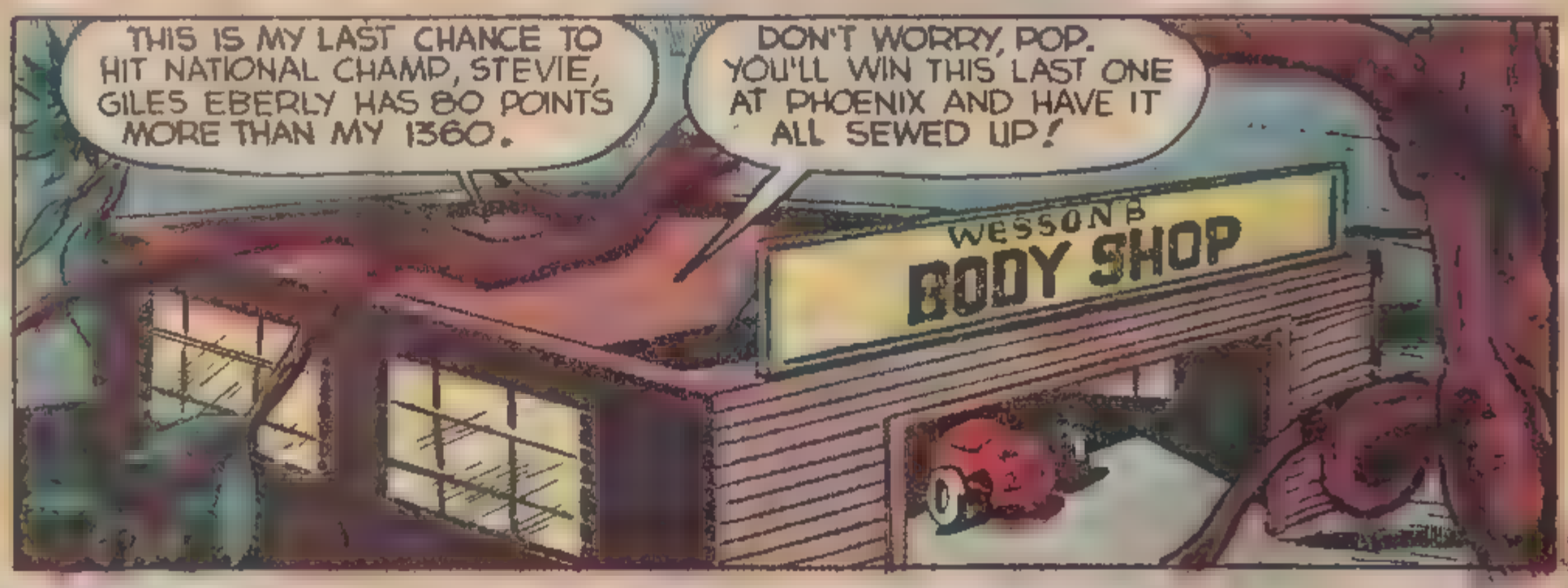


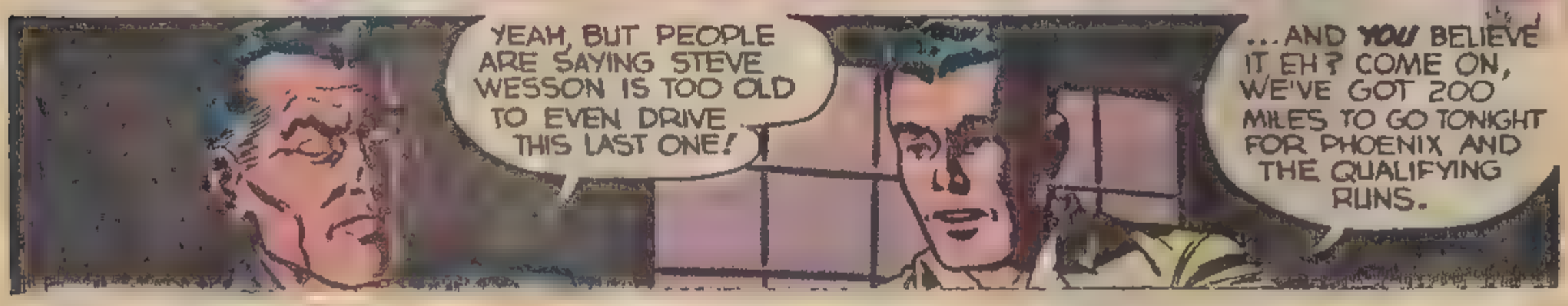
I WAS ONLY 16 WHEN I WON MY FIRST **BIG CAR** RACE... BUT THERE WAS NO QUESTION ABOUT IT, I **HAD** TO WIN IT SO POP WOULD BE...

NATIONAL CHAMP



DAD HAD A GOOD BODY-SHOP BUSINESS THAT HE WAS GOING TO RETIRE TO AT THE END OF THIS RACING SEASON. BUT IN THE 20 YEARS HE'D BEEN ON THE BOARDS, HE'D HAD ONE BURNING AMBITION...


THIS IS MY LAST CHANCE TO HIT NATIONAL CHAMP, STEVIE, GILES EBERLY HAS 80 POINTS MORE THAN MY 1360.
DON'T WORRY, POP. YOU'LL WIN THIS LAST ONE AT PHOENIX AND HAVE IT ALL SEWED UP!
WESSON'S
BODY SHOP


YEAH, BUT PEOPLE ARE SAYING STEVE WESSON IS TOO OLD TO EVEN DRIVE THIS LAST ONE!
...AND **YOU** BELIEVE IT, EH? COME ON, WE'VE GOT 200 MILES TO GO TONIGHT FOR PHOENIX AND THE QUALIFYING RUNS.

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NEXT DAY IN PHOENIX...

WHADDA YA SAY, WESSON? ALL THE EAST COAST BOYS HAVE POOLED THEIR EARNINGS TO SAY EBERLY IS GOING TO TAKE THE CHAMPIONSHIP. THE WEST COAST BOYS SAY HE DOESN'T... THAT **YOU**, BEING NEXT CLOSEST, MAY!

TAKE THAT $ 50,000 AND GET GOING BEFORE I LOSE MY TEMPER, BLIMS! I'M RACING TO **WIN** TOMORROW, WILLIE!

DON'T GET EXCITED, WESSON! JUST THOUGHT WE'D ASK... THAT'S ALL. WE FIGURED YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO SEE YOUR BOY HURT!

STEVIE? WAIT...

TO TRACK

EBERLY HAS THE FASTEST QUALIFYING TIME WHICH GIVES HIM POLE POSITION... BUT YOU'RE A TOP DRIVER, WESSON... AND OUR ONLY WORRY. MAKE **SURE** YOU DON'T COME IN FIRST. WE'LL BE HOLDING YOUR SON 'TIL AFTER THE RACE!

YOU WIN.. YOU WIN!

SAY! WHAT *IS* THIS?

SHUT UP AN' GET IN THAT CAR!

AN' KEEP QUIET, KID!

YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG GUY! MY FATHER'S RACING TOMORROW... I'VE GOT TO BE THERE ... I'M PART OF HIS PIT...

PIPE DOWN!

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THE BIG DAY FINALLY ARRIVED! THE LAST RACE OF THE SEASON...

...AND IN NUMBER 3 POSITION, CAR 107, DRIVER STEVE WESSON... WHO, INCIDENTALLY, IS SECOND IN NATIONAL POINT STANDING... CAR NUMBER 98 IN FOURTH POSI--

IS STEVIE SICK, STEVE?

ER..YES.. HE'S NOT FEELING WELL. EXCITEMENT, I GUESS.

MEANWHILE, IN MY HOTEL PRISON CELL...

HMMM... H-HMM...

WELL, KID, THE RACE JUST STARTED. AFTER YER OLE MAN LOSES... HUH? SAY, WHAT ARE YA LOOKIN' AT?

JUST AS I THOUGHT! LOOK!

HUH? WHAT? I DON'T SEE...

AND JUST TO MAKE SURE YOU'LL BE HERE WHEN THE RACE IS OVER, WE'LL PUT OUR NECKTIES TO GOOD USE!

PLAM!

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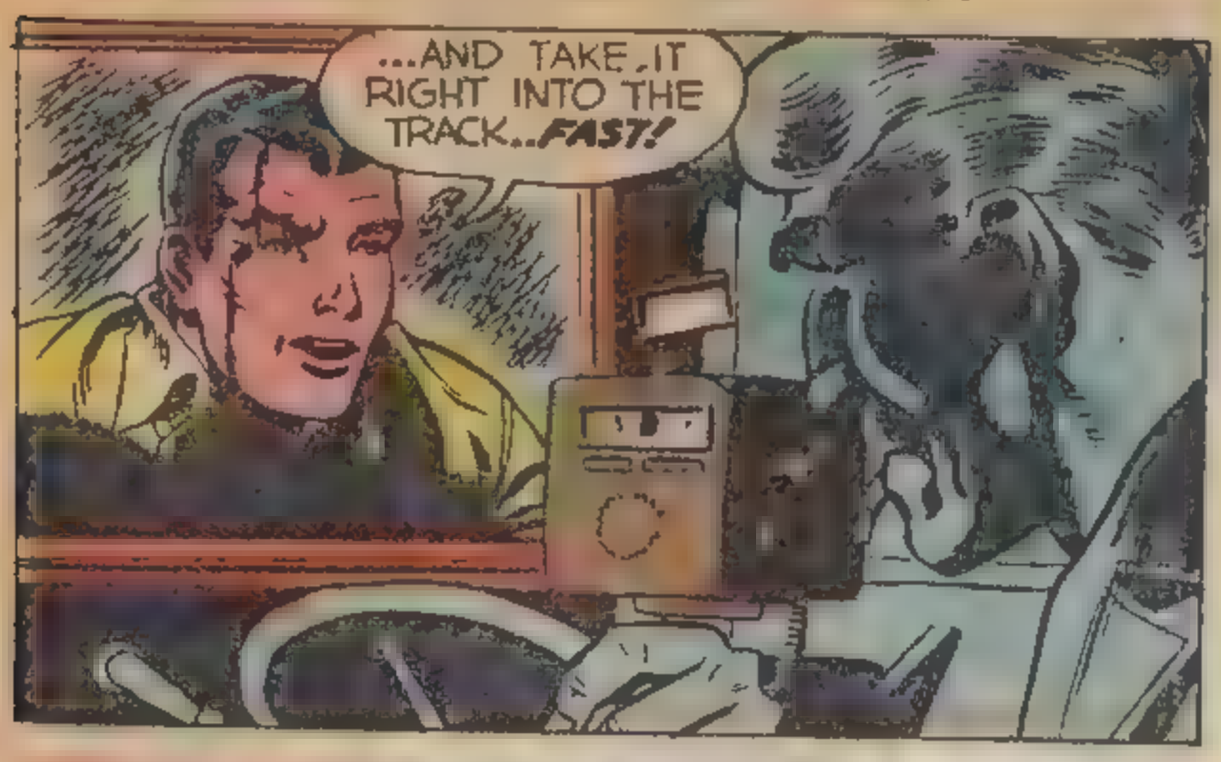
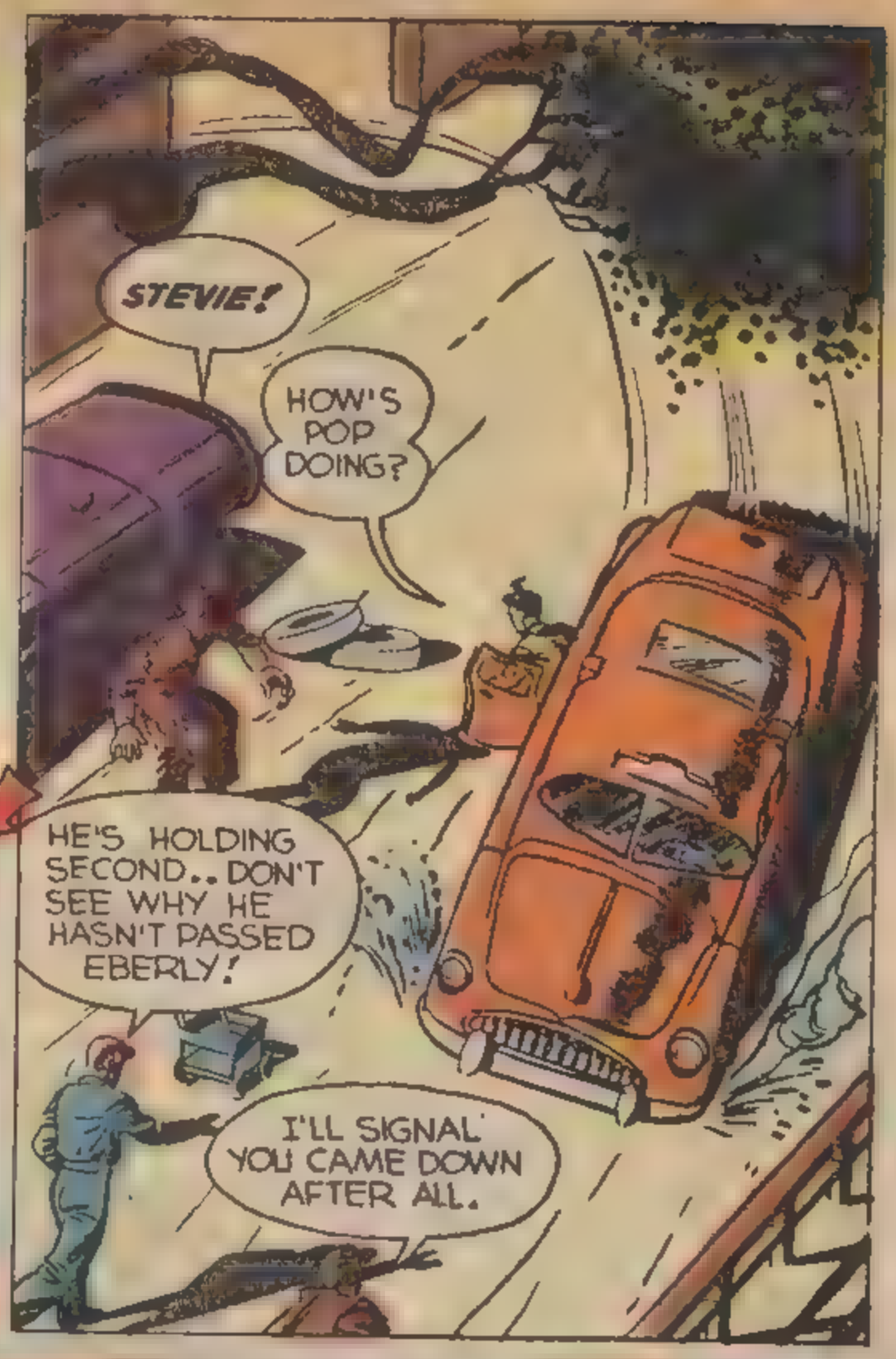
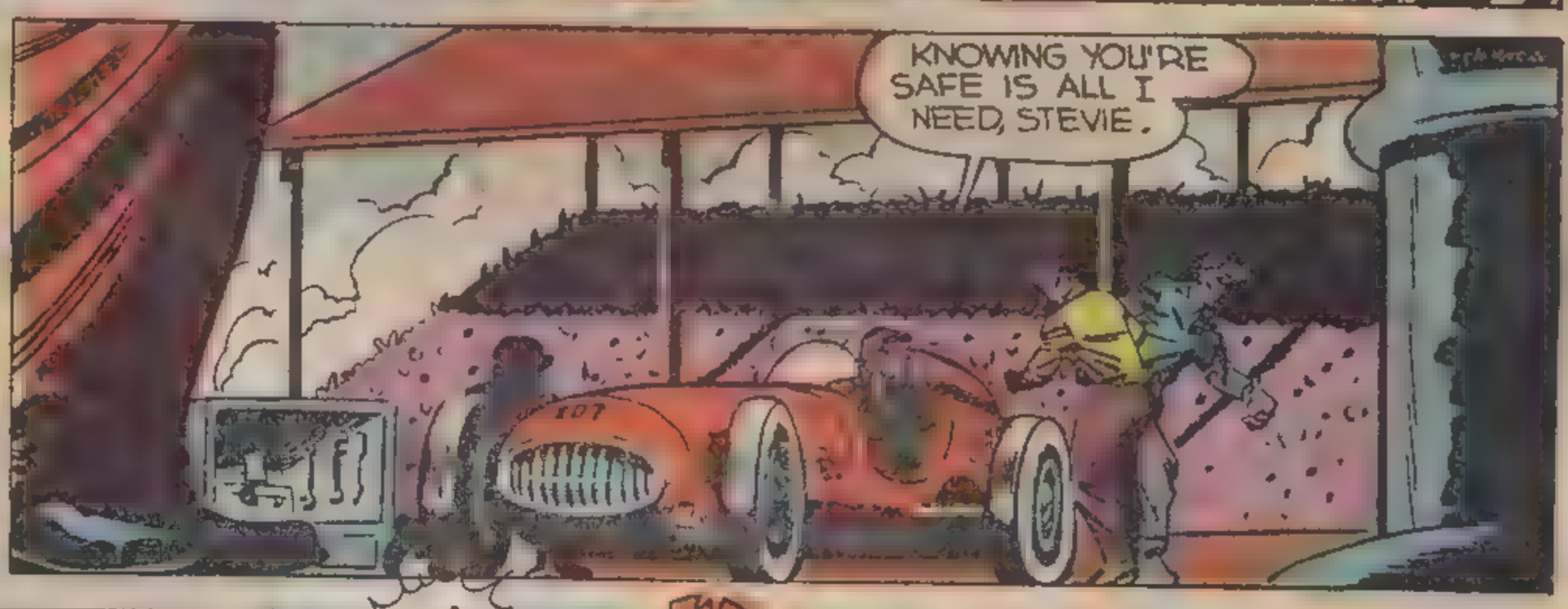
AFTER LOCKING THE HOTEL ROOM DOOR, I DASHED TO THE STREET AND A CAB...

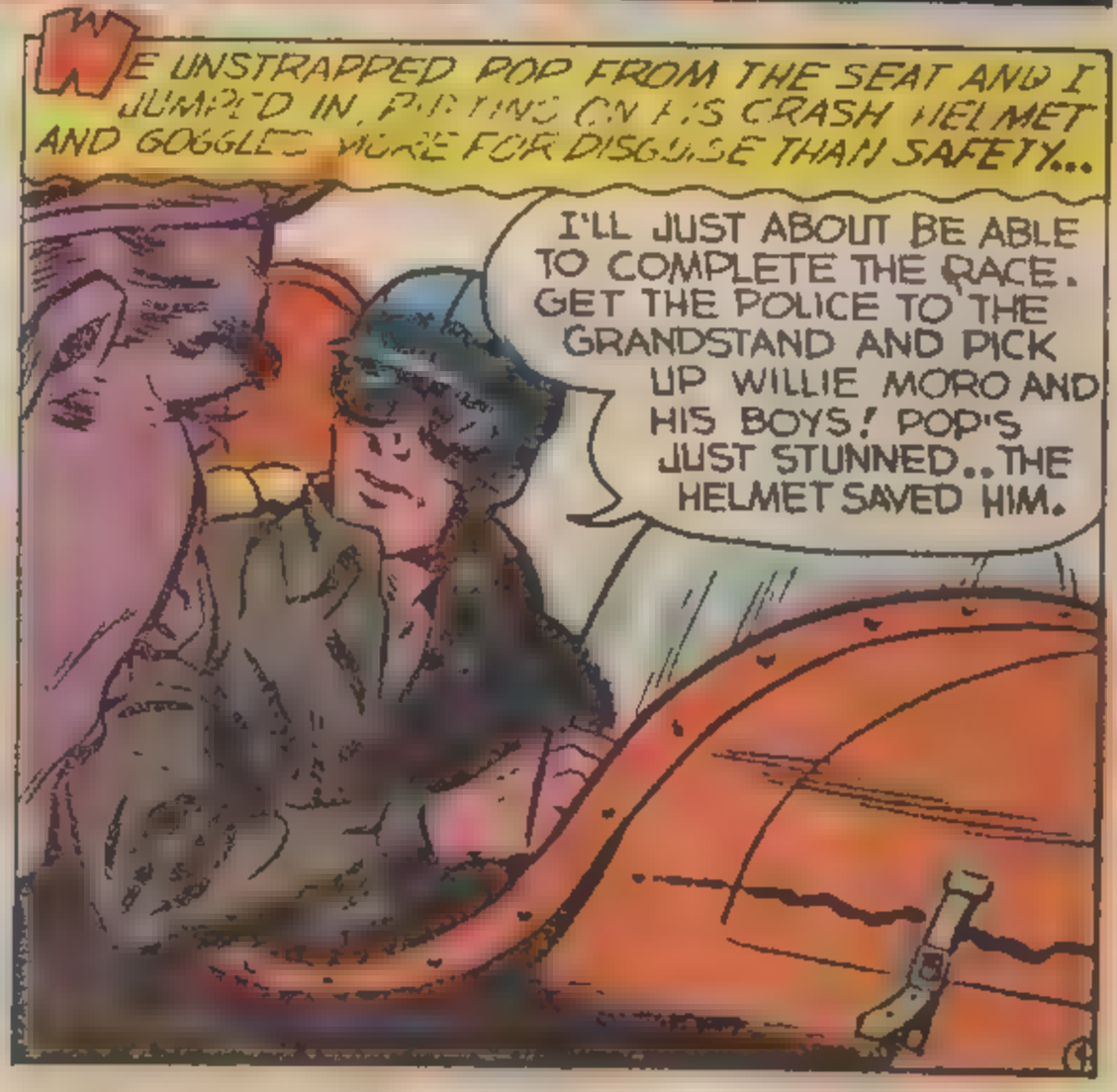




IT DIDN'T TAKE LONG FOR POP TO STOMP ON THAT THROTTLE AND TAKE THE LEAD. IN THE 115 LAP HE CAME IN FOR A TIRE CHANGE...



WE UNSTRAPPED POP FROM THE SEAT AND I JUMPED IN, PUTTING ON HIS CRASH HELMET AND GOGGLES MORE FOR DISGUISE THAN SAFETY...


I'LL JUST ABOUT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THE RACE. GET THE POLICE TO THE GRANDSTAND AND PICK UP WILLIE MORO AND HIS BOYS! POP'S JUST STUNNED.. THE HELMET SAVED HIM.

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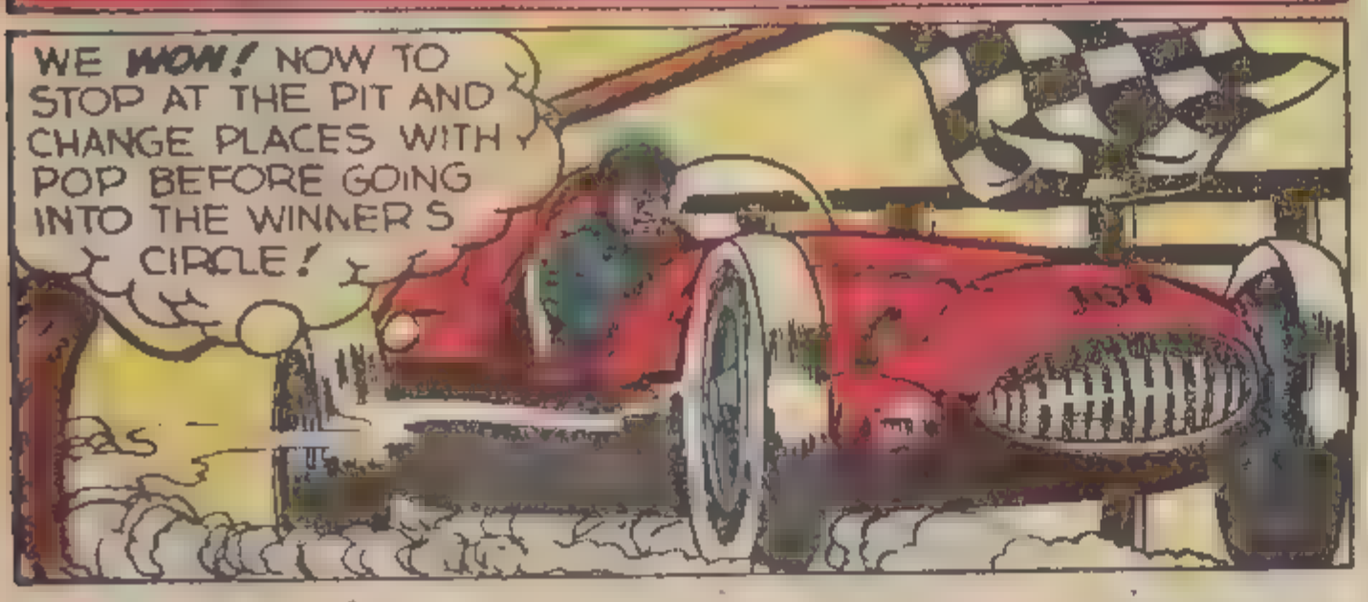
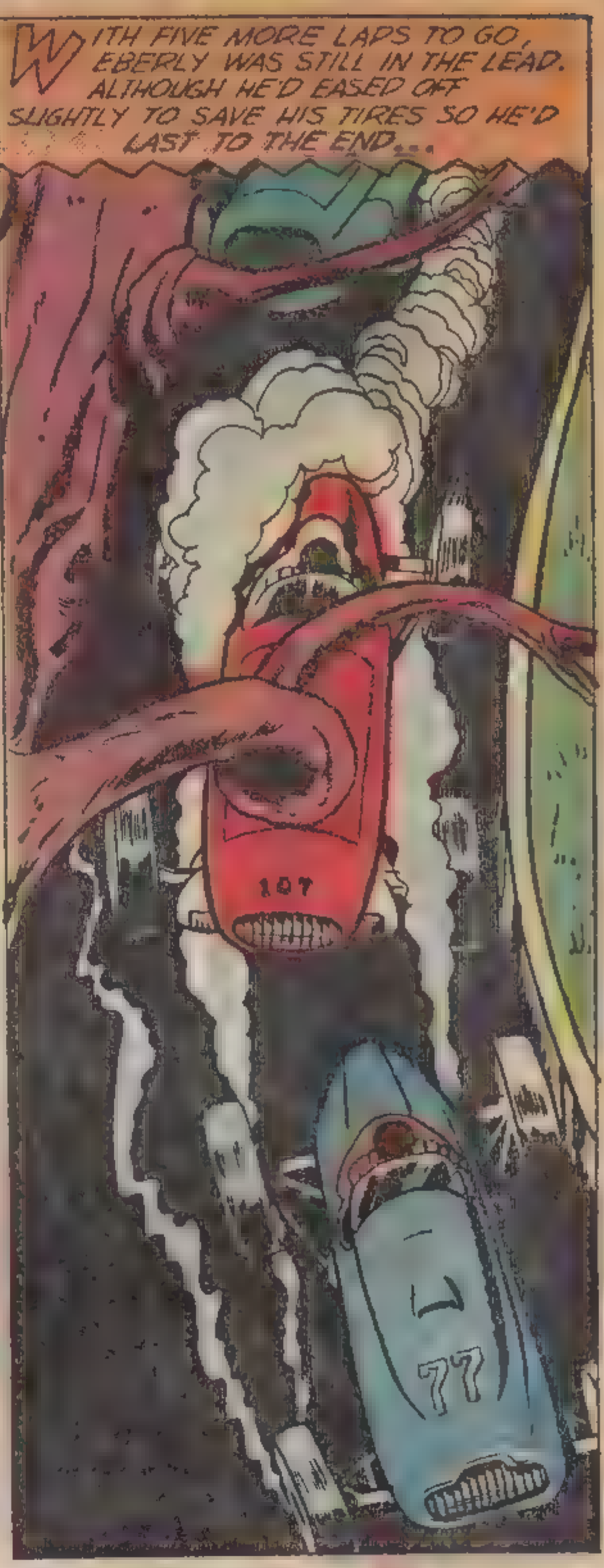
EBERLY HAD TO MAKE A PIT STOP FOR GAS, SO WE WERE TIED NOW FOR FIRST... BUT HE STILL HAD A FASTER CAR...

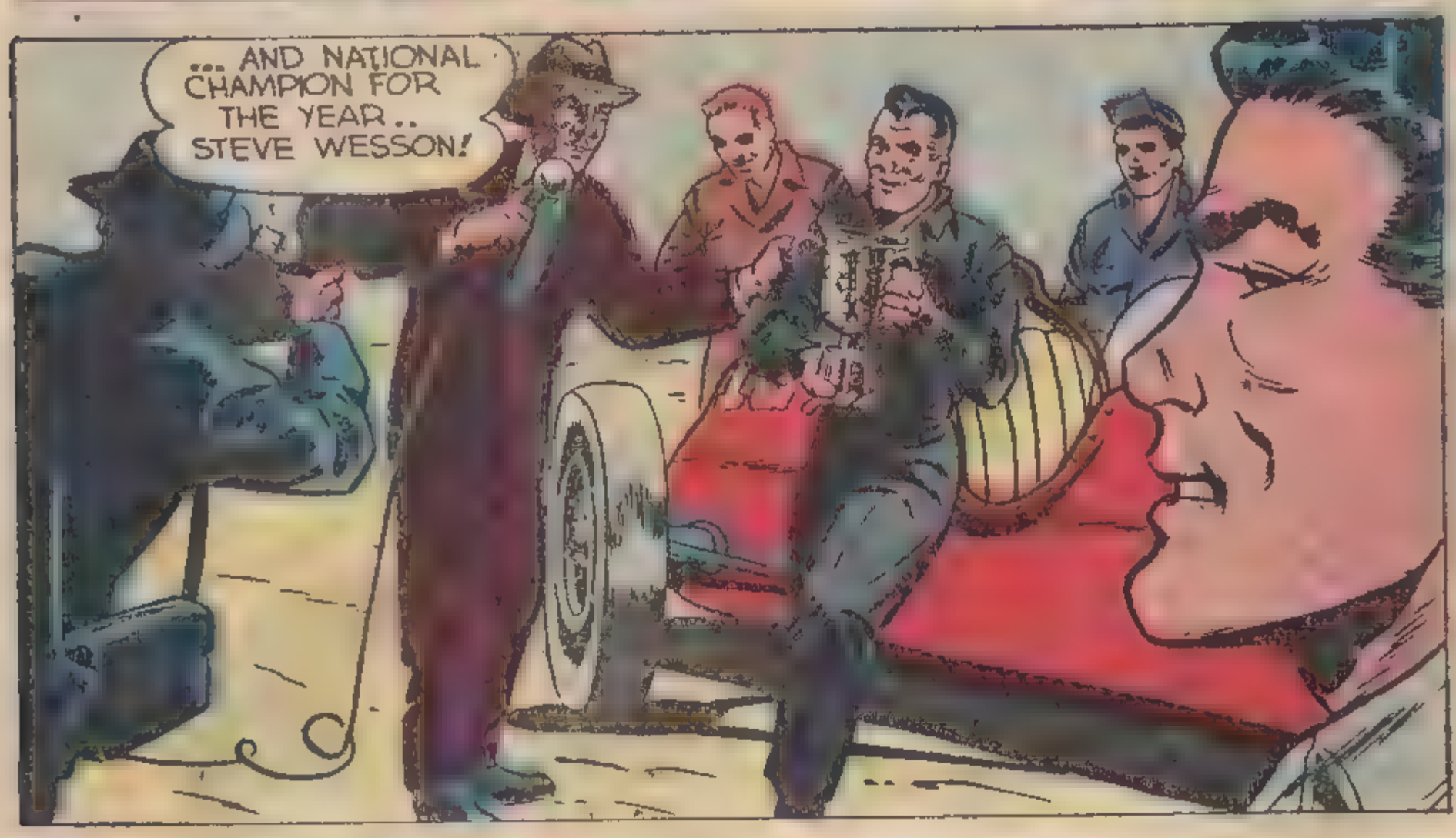
THE WHITE FLAG SIGNALLED ONE MORE LAP. ON THE FAR TURN I CUT IN AS EBERLY SWUNG WIDE AND I BLASTED OUT FOR THE WAVING CHECKERED...



A FAST CHANGE WAS MADE, ALTHOUGH POP WAS STILL IN A DAZE...

WITH FIVE MORE LAPS TO GO, EBERLY WAS STILL IN THE LEAD. ALTHOUGH HE'D EASED OFF SLIGHTLY TO SAVE HIS TIRES SO HE'D LAST TO THE END...





POP FOUND OUT THE WHOLE STORY LATER ON AND SAID HE WAS GOING TO GET THE NAME ON THE TROPHY CHANGED TO READ WITH AN 'IE' ON THE END... ANYWAY, **WE** WON!

THE END

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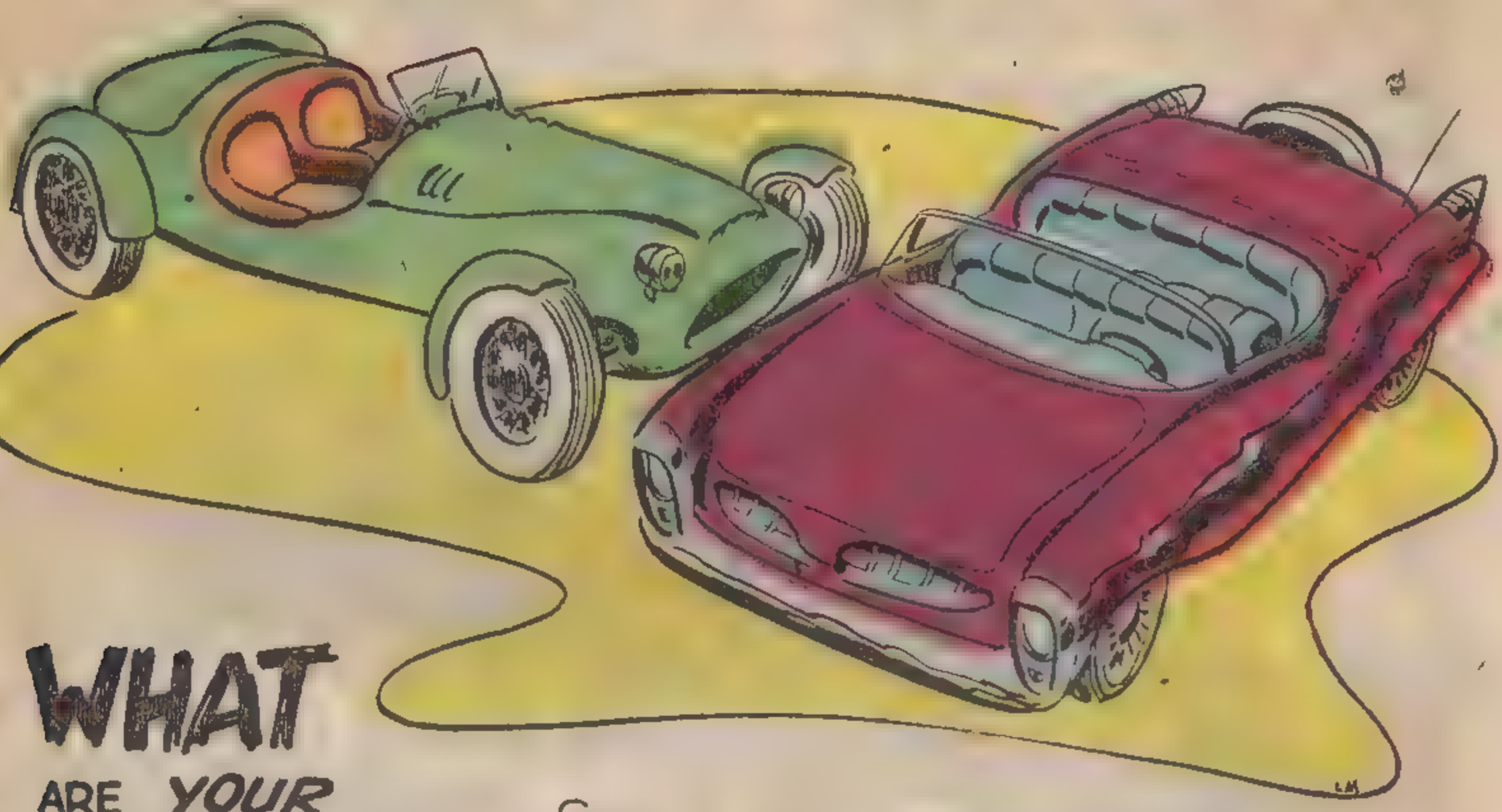
CUSTOM CONTEST



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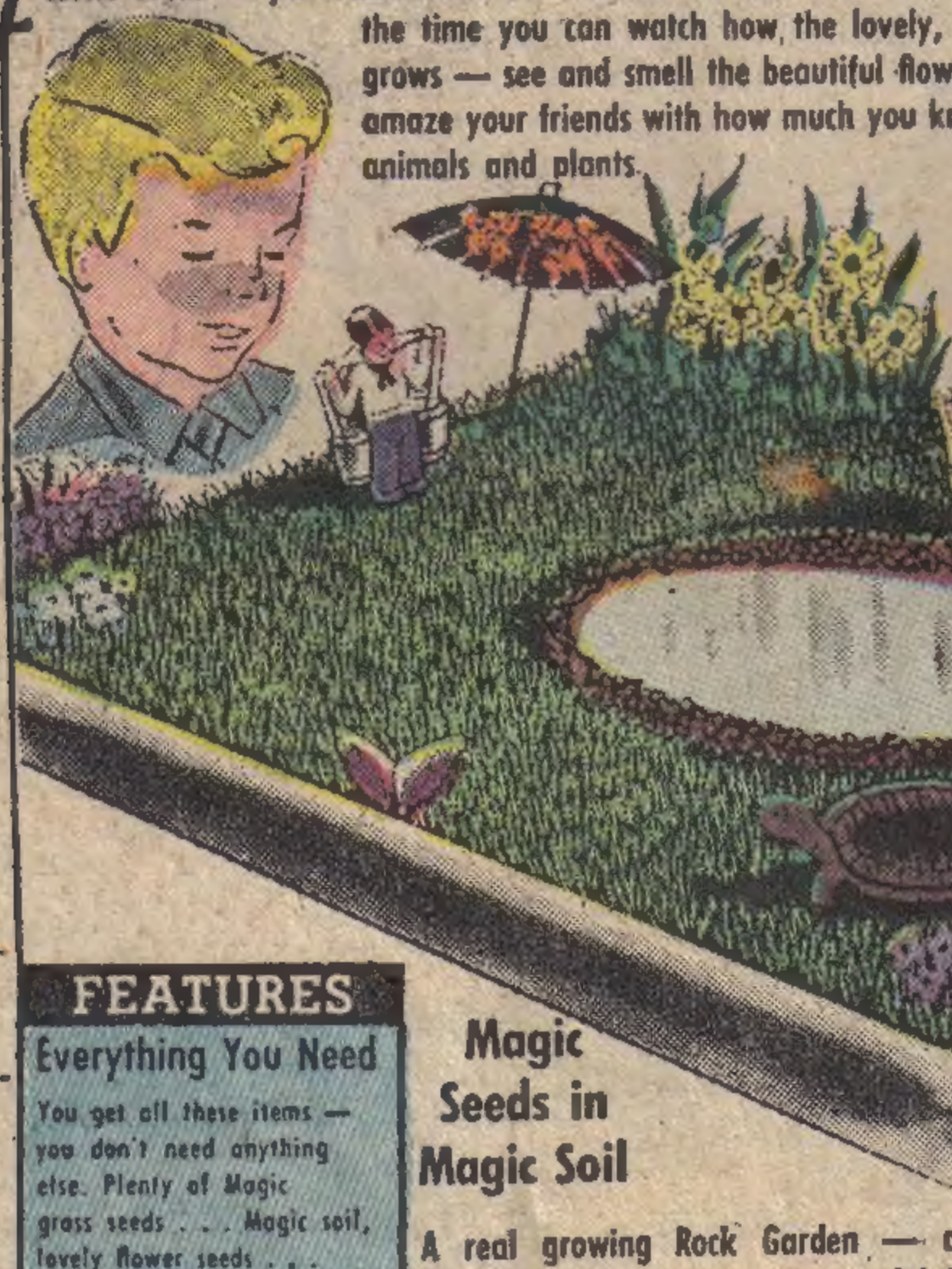

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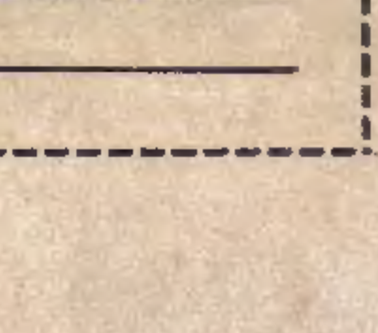

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